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Kowloon ...Dep.	6.40	8.05	8.30	9.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	2.22	4.35	5.29	7.21
Yaumati ...Dep.	6.50	—	—	9.24	10.39	12.09	1.24	2.31	4.44	5.38	7.30
Shatin ...Dep.	7.02	—	—	9.36	10.51	12.21	1.36	2.43	4.56	5.51	7.42
Taipo ...Dep.	7.16	—	—	9.49	11.04	12.34	1.49	2.56	5.09	6.04	7.55
Taipo Market Dep.	7.21	—	—	9.53	11.08	12.38	1.53	3.00	5.13	6.08	7.59
Fanling ...Dep.	7.32	—	—	10.03	11.18	12.48	2.03	3.11	5.24	6.19	8.09
Sheungshui ..Dep.	7.36	—	9.07	10.07	11.22	12.52	2.07	3.15	5.28	6.23	8.13
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Sheungshui...Dep.	7.26	8.13	10.45	11.47	3.07	4.24	5.20	5.27	5.47	6.15	—
Fanling ...Dep.	7.31	8.17	10.49	11.51	3.11	4.24	5.24	—	5.51	6.19	—
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Shataukok	6.30	10.15	1.05	2.05	5.00	5.15
Fanling	7.25	11.10	2.00	3.00	5.55	6.10

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THE ISLAND OF FUGA.

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The *Manila Times* gives some interesting particulars about Fuga Island, whose reported sale to Japan was announced and then denied. The island is 40 miles North-West of Apani and of naval value owing to its nearness to Formosa.

Our contemporary states:—

The Island of Fuga has been on the market for the last two years, as the owner, who is without children and not in the best of health, wishes to travel to Europe. Offers to Filipino interests were made by the broker for its sale, but were not accepted. That no sale was made until the present time, was due to the fact that the parties attempted to keep the property out of the control of foreign interests, but their efforts failing, the sale to the Japanese capitalists was arranged.

Although the Philippine Government is expected to create something of a disturbance over the transfer of the Island to capitalists of a foreign Power, it is helpless to prevent the sale. Vicente Masigan, the owner, holds Torrens Title to the island, based on the fact that the land was handed down to him through the last 200 years, as his ancestors were granted the Island by the Spanish Government.

The only means, as it looks at present, for the Philippine Government to prevent the Island from falling into the hands of foreign interests, will be to purchase it.

Cattle Ranch and Forest.

Fuga, although practically unknown, has an area of about 15,000 acres and is one of the richest small tracts of land in the Philippines. At the present time, a large cattle ranch is being operated there while forests, practically virgin and of the best woods, are one of its main assets. Coconuts and rice are grown by the inhabitants, and fishing is an important industry.

There are said to be nearly 400 families, all Filipinos, inhabitating the Island of Fuga at the present time. The people are literate and the majority of them well-to-do. A church and a school are two of the Island's most important possessions. There are no Japanese living on the Island at present, although, for the last three years, numerous Japanese fishing vessels from Formosa have anchored there on stays of one week or more.

FREEDOM FOR A WOMAN OF 90.

SCHOOL HEAD WHO 'DETESTS ADAM.'

The first woman to have the freedom of the City of Peterborough conferred upon her—Miss Margaret Gibson, principal of Laurel Court School, in the minster precincts—received that honour recently in the old Guildhall.

Miss Gibson, who is 90 years of age to-day, taught Edith Cavell.

The certificate of freedom was enclosed in an oak casket, the wood being many hundreds of years old, having been taken from the woodwork of Peterborough Cathedral.

In spite of her great age, Miss Gibson replied to the speech of the Mayor (Councillor J. T. Fisher), saying that, though she had sometimes succeeded and sometimes failed in her duty, she would try and make amends in future.

Chivalry.

She thanked the members of the Corporation for their chivalry in giving the freedom to a woman. Adam, she said, amid laughter, never showed chivalry to Eve. He was always pointing at the fruit, and what could she do but sacrifice herself for the Adam whom she (Miss Gibson) detested?

Sir Henry Wynne, the former Irish Attorney-General, and a cousin of Miss Gibson, also replied for Miss Gibson. In honouring her they had honoured her native land, to which she looked back with longing and love.

BARBARY COAST CORSAIRS.

OPERATING AGAINST LANDING AIRCRAFT.

A new and modern form of piracy is springing up along what was formerly known to navigators as the Barbary Coast. This is the capture of aircraft and airmen along the inhospitable shores of Africa between the Straits of Gibraltar and the Canary Islands.

Two postal aeroplanes of the new air route from Casablanca to Dakar, compelled to land near Cape Bojador, were seized by wild Moorish horsemen, who burned the aeroplanes, mails, and parcels. They then carried the two pilots into captivity in the interior.

The French authorities are taking energetic steps to obtain their liberation.

COMMUNIST REVOLT SUPPRESSED IN JAVA.

A FEW SKIRMISHES IN ACHEEN.

NO FIREWORKS AT NEW YEAR.

Guerilla warfare on a small scale continues in Acheen. During the first week in December one member of an Achinese band was killed by a Dutch patrol and a number of arms taken. Two others were killed by a patrol. In addition three rebels have given themselves up to the authorities.

There have also been disturbances in the Minahassa, the most southern part of Celebes, but, although a few communists have been arrested it seems that this is not a political affair. There has been trouble on the coffee estate Kotomobagu, where a number of coolies went on strike. A sergeant of the armed police was killed. At present everything is quiet.

Fireworks Not Allowed.

As a result of the recent disturbances an ordinance has been issued prohibiting the lighting of fireworks and crackers until further notice. It will remain in force until past New Year. This is considered necessary as the detonations cannot be distinguished from rifle shots.

At Magelang a workshop of fireworks has blown up, causing nine deaths and two persons injured. All were natives. The causes of the explosion are not yet known.

GERMANS IN A BRITISH NAVY FILM.

WHEN THE BRITISH CHEERED THEIR PRISONERS.

Great interest has been aroused by the disclosure that German co-operation is expected in the projected film of the Falkland Islands battle.

The exact part of the Germans in the production cannot yet be stated, but the spirit of the film is indicated in the fact that one of the dramatic incidents will show the end of Von Spee and his two sons.

When his flagship, the *Scharnhorst*, was sinking, the German admiral called his two sons, who were on board with him, to his side, and all three went down saluting the German flag. That will be seen in the film.

It may also prove that the incident will be included which Vice-admiral Luce, commander of the *Glasgow* at the time, described at a dinner given in connection with the film.

He said that when the *Leipsig* was sinking and he sent off boats to rescue the survivors, he told the Germans that his men proposed to cheer them as a tribute to their fighting qualities. The Admiral added: "That was done, and the Germans stood up and cheered us back."

Vice-Admiral Luce also expressed the personal opinion that it was impossible for Von Spee to rescue any British sailors after the battle of Coronel.

LONDON'S WINE STOCK.

NOTES ON THE BEST VINTAGES.

Never since the war has there been quite such a large and good stock of wine in London as there is at present, and those who are replenishing their wine cellars for the Christmas season are doing so under the most favourable circumstances.

"The first thing they should do," said a connoisseur, "is to buy their wines from a wine merchant who has a reputation to maintain and not buy a parcel of wine because it is to be sold cheaply. In any event they cannot do far wrong if they buy 1919 champagne and 1920 claret.

"There is a quantity of good vintage port, and of those which can be obtained reasonably that of 1908 is about the best. No port later than 1912 should be bought.

"A good year for hocks was 1921, and 1921 was good for white burgundies and claret. That year was a good one for practically all white wines, but not for red; the 1923 burgundy is good for laying down, but the 1919 is the one for early consumption."

£3,700 FOR DOLLY SISTERS.

DAMAGES AGAINST MOULIN ROUGE.

The Dolly Sisters, the variety entertainers, have been awarded £3,700 damages by the Paris court against the Moulin Rouge Music-Hall for breach of contract.

They had been engaged by the Moulin Rouge to play the star rôles in last winter's revue, but after three weeks' rehearsals, they found that Mistinguett, the French actress, had been given the leading place in the bill. Thereupon they left the Moulin Rouge and went to the Casino de Paris.

£3,700 had been deposited by the sisters and by the Moulin Rouge directors as a guarantee of good faith. The court confiscated the deposit of the Moulin Rouge in favour of the sisters.

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

To-day.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Fanling Hunt Steeplechase, Kwanti Course.

Cricket and Football (details in to-day's issue).

Yachting: Challenge Cups for Racing Yachts.

Golf: Bogey Pool.

Philharmonic Society's final performance of "Pirates of Penzance," Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Dance Craigengower Cricket Club.

Queen's Theatre: "The Humming Bird."

World Theatre: "The Great Divide."

Star Theatre: "Recompense."

Principal Mails:—Inward: Europe *viâ* Siberia (*Kashima Maru*). Outward: Europe *viâ* Marseilles (*Kashima Maru*), 5 p.m.; Canada, U.S.A., etc., and Europe *viâ* Victoria, B.C. (*Talthybius*), 10.30 a.m.; Canada, U.S.A., etc., and Europe *viâ* Victoria B.C. (*President McKinley*), 3.30 p.m.; Canada, U.S.A., etc., and Europe *viâ* San Francisco and Europe *viâ* Siberia (*President Wilson*), 5 p.m.

Sunday.

St. John Ambulance Brigade Annual Competition for "Ralphs" Shield, Murray Parade ground, 9.30 a.m.

China Coast Officers' Guild and Marine Engineers' Guild of China, combined meeting at Guild officers, Sailors' Home, West Point, 10.30 a.m.; Urgent business.

Golf: Final Royal H.K. Golf Club Championship, Fanling. I. W. Shewan *v.* T. D. E. Pendered. Bogey Pool.

Cricket: Indian Section St. John Ambulance Brigade *v.* H.K. Electric on I.R.C. ground, 1.30 p.m.

Yachting: 3rd Championship Race for Cruisers.

Bishop Valtorta blesses New Home of the Little Sisters of the Poor Ngau Chi Wan, Kowloon City, 3 p.m.

Confirmation Service, St. John's Cathedral, 6 p.m.

Social Hour for Service men at St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, 7.15 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Wine of Youth."

World Theatre: "Thunder Mountain."

Star Theatre: "The Calgary Stampede."

Monday.

Extraordinary General Meeting Peak Tramways, Ltd., Hong Kong Hotel, 11 a.m.

Golf: Bogey Pool.

Yachting: Ladies' Section R.H.K.Y.C. 5th Championship race.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Draw for Subscription Griffins at Jockey Club Stables, Causeway Bay.

Queen's Theatre: "Wine of Youth."

World Theatre: "Thunder Mountain."

Star Theatre: "The Calgary Stampede."

Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A., Honolulu, etc. (*President Polk*); Europe *viâ* Negapatam (papers only, *Vogtland*).

Tuesday.

Distribution of prizes at Kowloon Junior British School (Gun Club Hill) by Mr. R. M. Dyer, 11 a.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Boxing Tournament, Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A., Canada, etc. (*President Jefferson*). Outward: Europe *viâ* Marseilles (*General Metzinger*), 2.30 p.m.

Wednesday.

Peak School Prize distribution, by Lady Clementi, at Peak Club, 11 a.m.

Ordinary General Meeting Industrial and Commercial Bank, Ltd., at York Building, 2 p.m.

Cricket: Annual Match between Oxford and Cambridge Societies on H.K.C.C. ground.

Football: Interport trial game, H.K.F.C. ground, 4.30 p.m.

H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Christmas Revels and Fairy play at Theatre Royal, 5.15 p.m. In aid of M.C.L. and Seamen's Institute Funds.

Principal Mails:—Outward: Australia and New Zealand, etc. (*Tango Maru*), 9.30 a.m.

Thursday.

8th Ordinary yearly meeting, China Light and Power Company (1918), Ltd., St. George's Building, 11.30 a.m.

Bishop of London (the Right Hon. A. F. Winnington Ingram, D.D., LL.D., K.C.V.O.) due on *President Lincoln*.

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H.K. Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Christmas Revels and Fairy Play at Theatre Royal, 5.15 p.m. In aid of M.C.L. and Seamen's Institute Funds.

Boxing Tournament at Murray Barracks: Borderers' *v.* H.M.S. *Hermes*.

Annual Ball of Hong Kong Police Force, City Hall, 9 p.m.

Principal Mails:—Inward: U.S.A., Honolulu, etc. (*President Lincoln*); Canada, U.S.A., etc. (*Empress of Canada*).

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Friday.

Christmas Eve.

Hong Kong Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

King Edward Hotel tea dance, 4.30 p.m.

Golf: Bogey Pool Competition (Christmas Meeting), Fanling.

Annual dinner and ball of Chief and Petty Officers of the Royal Navy (China Squadron) at City Hall, 8.15 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Principal Mails:—Outward: Europe and U.K. *viâ* Marseilles (*Khiva*), 5 p.m.

To Secretaries.

[Secretaries of clubs and associations, etc., are kindly requested to forward any forthcoming events to the *Daily Press* for inclusion in the above column, which it is our endeavour to keep as correct and up-to-date as possible.]

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2 Qts. St. Julien Claret.
1 Qt. Puritan Old Tom or Dry Gin.
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The preliminary report to President Coolidge of the Federal Oil Conservation Board, recently made public, says that in the proved oil sands of the United States there is sufficient oil to keep the United States going for only six years. Hence the Board emphasizes very strongly the need for taking immediate measures for oil conservation.

In creating the Board, the President called in four members of his Cabinet: namely, Secretaries Work, Hoover, Davis and Wilbur, representing respectively the Departments of the Interior, Commerce, Labour and the Navy. A more authoritative Board could not exist; but in order to give to its findings the highest industrial and financial authority, invitations were sent to the large producing, refining and marketing companies of the country, who gave full co-operation in securing the required data. Moreover, some of the most expert engineers, geologists and owners read papers at the various meetings of the Board, that showed an evident desire to bring out all the facts and make a frank statement of opinion. Hence the report, which is signed by the four cabinet members above mentioned, is a document of the very highest authority. In these days of propaganda, it is refreshing to receive a document dealing with a great national problem, whose statements may be accepted without a shadow of a doubt as to their truth and impartiality.

The findings are fully in keeping with the facts which the *Scientific American* has brought out, during the past few months, in its articles on the oil industry. The report states that the total present reserves in pumping and flowing wells is estimated at 4,500,000,000 barrels. But in spite of this vast reserve, it is estimated that, theoretically, the supply of oil cannot be estimated to meet the demand of the United States for more than six consecutive years.

Perhaps the most important part of the report is that which deals with unrestricted drilling and the great waste which attends it, as for instance when we read that in the Cushing field in Oklahoma the waste of gas amounts to 300,000,000 cubic feet of natural gas per day or 10,000,000,000 cubic feet a year which the report affirms is the equivalent of 5,500,000 tons of coal.

The Board emphasizes the need of co-operative drilling, but it evidently considers that this should be done by mutual agreement among the leaders of the industry and not as the result of direct legislative action. With this policy we are in entire agreement; although it would be well for the oil industry to realize that unless unrestricted drilling is stopped, Congress, in sheer defence of one of the nation's most valuable war reserves, will be under the necessity of taking direct control by legislative enactment.—*Scientific American.*

JAPAN AND SIBERIAN RESOURCES.

LIMITLESS LUMBER, COAL AND GOLD.

That Siberia can feed Japan and supply the Inland Empire of the Far East with all the raw materials she needs was the statement made by Mr. Golachev, former Minister of Foreign Affairs of the short-lived Siberian Government.

Mr. Golachev, who now lives in Japan, termed Siberia an El Dorado, and said that it is not only able to influence life along the entire Pacific sea-border, but also to influence the economic development of the entire world. To assure proper development of this territory, the greatest needs, according to him, are: (1) capital; (2) extension, improvement and building of new railways; and (3) increase of population.

"First of all" he said, "must be mentioned a circumstance of great importance, namely that Siberia, as a whole, inclines towards the shores of the Pacific in her economic life. This inclination will increase in proportion to the development of the regions around the Pacific Ocean. As soon as the economic needs of countries abutting the Pacific develop further. It will become obvious that the import and export markets of Siberia will show a greater tendency towards the East. Thus, the nations around the Pacific Ocean have not only a theoretical, but also a very practical, interest in Siberia."

As regards the riches of Russia, potential riches, Mr. Golachev said that these are agricultural and mineral and that the country is also well adopted for dairy farming and for cattle breeding.

"The forests of Siberia are almost limitless," he proceeded "and in Siberia can be found the largest lumber reserve in the world, in the most exact meaning of the word—dense forests stretching for scores of miles where no woodman has yet even tapped a tree. The lumber resources alone are full worth exploiting."

As regards gold, Mr. Golachev stated that, in pre-revolution times, three-quarters of the gold used in Russia came from Siberia while, according to him, in the districts of Tomsk and Kousnetz, there are hundreds of millions of tons of coal, in no way inferior to Cardiff coal, only waiting to be dug out.

As regards food, he insisted that Siberia was, above all, an agricultural country. "Siberia could easily feed Japan," he declared, "and Siberia could also be a great meant whereby Japan will be able to solve her present dependence on raw materials which have to be imported from distant lands."—*N.-C. Daily News.*

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

DECEMBER 17TH, 1926.

Hongkong Bank	$1,140 sel.
Do., London	£115 nom.
Chartered Bank	£31 sel.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.	£30½ nom.
Do., C.	£13⅜ nom.
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East Asia Bank	$31 nom.
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Union Insurance	$390 nom.
Yangtsze Insurance	Mex. $45 nom.
China Fire Insurance	$200 buy.
Hongkong Fire Insurance	$615 buy.
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Hongkong Tugs	$1½ nom.
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Do. (Def.),	$43 buy.
Shell Transports	90/- nom.
Star Ferries	$60 nom.
Watercboats	$15½ buy.
China Sugars	$25 sel.
Malabon Sugars	$36 nom.
Benguets	$1½ nom.
Kailan Mining Ad.	38/- nom.
Langkats (combined)	Tls. 24½ x. div. buy.
Do. (single)	Tls. 11¼ x. div. nom.
Shanghai Explorations	Tls. 4½ nom.
Shanghai Loans	Tls. 8 nom.
Raubs	$4½ nom.
Tronoh Mines	21/- buy.
Ural Caspians	8/- nom
H.K. & K. Wharfs	$115 nom.
H.K. & W. Docks	$48 sel.
Hongkews	Tls. 170 nom.
New Engineerings	Tls. 5½ nom.
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 117 sel.
H.K. & S. Hotels	$9½ sel.
Hongkong Lands	$55½ buy. & sa. 57 sel.
Hongkong Realtys	$6.15 buy.
H.K. Territorials	$3 sel.
Humphreys Estates	$14½ sel.
Prince's Buildings	$89 nom.
Rural Lands	$1½ nom.
Ewo Cottons	Tls. 8½ buy., 9½ sel.
Orientals	Tls. 3 sel.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	Tls. 54½ nom.
Do. (new)	Tls. 28½ nom.
China Buses	Tls. 9½ buy.
Hongkong Tramways	$22½ buy., 22⅝ sel.
Peak Trams (old)	$15 buy., 15½ sa.
Do. (new)	$7½ nom.
Singapore Tractions	15/- sel.
Taxis	$2 sel.
Amusements	$16 buy.
Canton Ices	$5 nom.
Cements (combined)	$11 sel.
Do. (old)	$9 nom.
Do. (new)	$2 nom.
China Lights (combined)	$17½ nom.
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Do. (new)	$10½ sel.
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Dairy Farms	$18½ buy.
Der A Wings	$6 nom.
Hongkong Electrics	$57 buy., 59 sel
Macao Electrics	$35 nom.
H.K. Ropes (old)	$10 sel.
Do. (new)	$5 sel.
Lane Crawfords	$8 nom.
Mackintoshs	$19½ nom.
Sinceres	$9¼ sel.
United Asbestos	$20 nom.
Watsons (old)	$13 nom.
Wm. Powells	$6½ nom.
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Oslo	19.21½
Prague	153¾
Madrid	31.63
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Bombay	1/5.13/16
Yokohama	2/0¾
Shanghai	2/4¾
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18 MAUSERS AND 21,070 ROUNDS SEIZED.

DEFENDANTS GET TWO YEARS.

Nine Chinese were charged yesterday afternoon before Major C. Willson and Mr. T. W. Ainsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy, with possession of arms and ammunitions.

Sergt. Patrick Barnicle told the Court that acting under instructions from the D.S.P., he and a party of Chinese searchers boarded a trading junk in Little Saiwan Bay. The junk was plying between Hong Kong and Chuchow, near Swatow.

When witness and his party got on board, they found eight men sleeping in the hold and 1 outside. The search revealed 2 mausers and 31 rounds of ammunitions were found in the pockets of a jacket.

The junk, witness continued, was taken to the slipway in Yaumati, and on a further search being made, 16 more mausers and 21,070 rounds of ammunitions were discovered. These were hidden under two or three feet of coal cinders.

Continuing, witness said that three tins of saltpetre were also found, which weighed 1,765 pounds, and 12 bags of sulphur weighing 800 pounds.

Corroborative evidence was given by the Chinese searchers, and all the defendants were sentenced to two years' hard labour.

FORGED NOTES IN CIRCULATION?

CHINESE CHARGED WITH TENDERING FORGED $10.

At the result of tendering an alleged forged Hong Kong bank note to a Chinese woman cigarette seller, a Chinese appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

According to the cigarette vendor's story, the defendant came to her stall in Cleverly Street and ordered a packet of Three Castles Cigarettes, for which he is alleged to have tendered in payment a $10 Hong Kong bank note. The woman, according to her story, not knowing whether the note was genuine or not, handed it to her daughter to go and get it examined. A Chinese constable who chanced to be close at hand was given it, declared the note to be a false one, and took the defendant into custody.

Many Forged Notes About?

An official of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank was called, and stated that the note was a very good forgery, and was likely to deceive Chinese people. He expressed the opinion that there were quite a number of false notes in circulation.

For the defence, Mr. D. McCallum said that his story was that the complainant first went to a foki of a shop nearby who was said to have found the note to be false, and that the woman then told the constable who took defendant into custody.

The case was ultimately adjourned until to-day at noon, defendant being allowed bail in the sum of $500.

PEACEHAVEN £1,125 HOUSE AND SITE AWARDED.

Under the auspices of Peacehaven Estates, Ltd., a gathering took place at the Holborn Restaurant, London, on November 10th for the presenting of another £1,125 Freehold House and the site upon which it stands. Lord Teynham who presided said that in 1920 the value of the whole of the buildings on the Peacehaven Estates between Brighton and Newhaven was trifling, but to-day they represented something like £500,000. In the same year the population was 24 persons, but to-day it was over 4,500 and was still growing and there would be a railway station before long. Mr. C. W. Neville, promoter of Peacehaven, spoke of the growth of the town and the arrangements for further developments.

The plot holders present decided to ballot for the "Gift House" which was awarded to Mr. J. Garton, P.O. Box 2272, Cape Town, South Africa.

ENGLISH WOMAN CLIMBER'S FEAT.

SECOND TO REACH TOP OF U.S. VOLCANO.

After a strenuous and dangerous climb, Miss Dorothy Pilley, the 30-years-old daughter of a London woman doctor, conquered during November Mount Baker, the volcanic mountain in the United States Rockies, which has been climbed only once before.

Miss Pilley is the first woman to attempt to reach the top of Mount Baker, which is 10,827 feet high, and still has an active crater. She was accompanied by two men on the climb, which took 48 hours.

Near the edge of the crater Miss Pilley and her companions spent a night. The crater is surrounded by a great and treacherous glacier, and crossing this was the most dangerous part of the climb.

Mr. J. J. Pilley, of Camberwell-grove, S.E., Miss Pilley's father, told a Press representative that his daughter began climbing when she was 17, and that she has climbed Mont Blanc, the Matterhorn, the Weisshorn, and Monte Rosa.

M.P. EJECTS A HECKLER.

BRITISH FASCISTI TO THE FORE.

PRESERVING FREE SPEECH.

Mr. H. G. Williams, M.P., of Reading, speaking recently at a Junior Imperial League meeting at Kentish Town Public Baths, pointed to a roughly-dressed man in the audience, who had interrupted him, and said:

"I think the time has now arrived when that man should be removed."

He descended from the platform, stepped up to where the man stood, and energetically helped a number of young Fascisti to bundle him outside, where he was deposited on the wet pavement.

Young women sympathisers screamed "Shame," and an elderly woman supporter of the League brandished an umbrella in their faces gleefully, and cried, "That's the way to treat them!"

Other Scuffles.

Several other scuffles occurred, and more than a dozen men and women were ejected. Twenty women members of the London Special Patrol of British Fascists who were present dealt with the women.

Mr. Williams then resumed his speech.

"I have come to the conclusion," he said, adjusting his collar and smoothing his hair, "that the only way to deal with certain people to retain free speech is to put the fear of God in them.

"I am acting as I have done because your chairman, with all his abilities, has one disability that he is not able to see those who are trying to break up the meeting."

This was a reference to the fact that Captain Ian Fraser, M.P., who presided, is blind.

The gathering was stewarded exclusively by young men and women of the British Facisti, and hardly had the interruptions begun when they became active.

An Undignified Exit.

One of the men who was ejected put up a stout fight, but they were too many for him, and as he disappeared through a side exit he fell at the feet of a policeman patrolling outside.

A tall young man, who gave the name of John A. Waghorn, or Roskell-road, Putney, was carried away from the chairs to the back of the hall, and his clothes appeared to have suffered considerably.

WONDERS OF THE R.101.

A GIANT STEEL AIRSHIP.

Nothing appealed more to the Dominion Premiers than the development of British aircraft, writes the Aviation Correspondent of the *Evening Standard*.

Their interest was particularly stimulated by the exhibition to them of a remarkable model of the airship R101, which, with its sister ship, will be the largest in the world.

The model is at the Whitehall branch of the Air Ministry, and it gives an excellent idea of the wonders of the new vessel. Strength, efficiency, safety and luxury are the aims of the new craft, an immense structure 720ft. long, 140ft. high and 130ft. wide.

Smoking Rooms.

The hundred passengers who can be carried will have separate sleeping accommodation on a deck different from the one which will be used for ordinary purposes. The model which has been prepared shows a spacious promenade deck, smoking-rooms, dining-rooms and outside cabins.

Instead of duralumin, R.101 is to glory in an expensive structure which for the main part will be of stainless steel.

The greatest care has been taken in designing the ship and this necessitated a considerable delay owing to the large number of patient experiments that had to be made. In addition it was imperative that the shed at Cardington should be enlarged.

Nothing, incidentally, is of more importance than the attention which has been devoted to fuel. Petrol will not be used, but instead heavy fuel will be employed in the seven engines of 600 h.p. each. Exhaustive experiments in this respect have been made, and they are held to justify the noteworthy breakaway from the use of so highly inflammable a spirit as petrol.

THE GROWTH OF SELFRIDGE.

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Two noted London business houses were purchased recently by Messrs. Selfridge, and will be incorporated with that firm.

One was Messrs. Jones Brothers, of Holloway, which has been the shopping centre for North London women for nearly half a century. It has a frontage of 400 feet, and the number of employees almost runs into four figures. Articles of all kinds are sold there, from provisions to pins.

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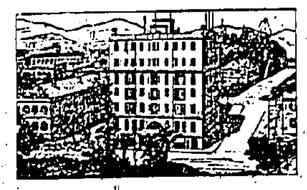

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WHAT BISHOPS DO.

A SCHOOLBOY'S VIEW.

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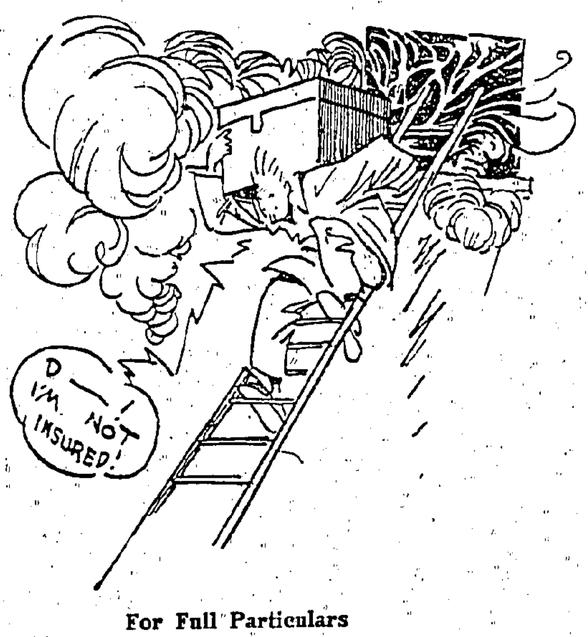

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Hongkong Weekly Press.

DURING THIS WEEK THERE HAS BEEN SOME EVIDENCE, ON PAPER AT ANY RATE, THAT THE CANTON AUTHORITIES ARE TAKING STEPS TO CURB THE LICENCE OF THE TRADE UNIONS.

For some time past extreme Labour leaders have been rulers of the roost in the South, and constant strikes and labour disorders have been the result.

The effect of these troubles on trade generally has been as disastrous as the boycott. Now, however, the officials appear to be realising that Union control must cease if order is to be restored, and stern proclamations against armed parades, unlawful arrests and picketing have been issued. If these proclamations are enforced there should soon be a decided improvement to be recorded.

The announcement has also been made that Canton is organising an expedition to clear the pirates from Bias Bay and co-operation from Hong Kong, within certain defined limits, is welcomed.

The situation, as it has developed day by day, is described in the *WEEKLY PRESS*. The paper will be eagerly welcomed by friends at Home. See that they receive copies.

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TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL.

A FULL LEAGUE PROGRAMME.

NOTES ON THE CLUBS PARTICIPATING.

The following games in the Hong Kong League are down for decision to-day:—

Division I.

Kick-off, 4.0 p.m.

South China *v.* Kowloon, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Captain Austin.

China Athletic *v.* K.O.S.B.'s, Hong Kong F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Dawes.

Club de Recreio *v.* Hong Kong Police, King's Park ground. Referee: Mr. Phillips.

R.A. *v.* Hong Kong Club, Navy ground, Happy Valley. Referee: Mr. Baldwin.

Division II. "A."

Kick-off, 2.30 p.m.

R.A. Reserves *v.* K.O.S.B.'s Reserves, Sookunpoo "A" ground. Referee: Mr. Cowan.

China Athletic "A" *v.* China Athletic "B," Hong Kong F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Hollands.

Club de Recreio Reserves *v.* Hong Kong F.C. Reserves, King's Park ground. Referee: Mr. Gilbert.

Kowloon Reserves *v.* University, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Mackie.

St. Joseph's College *v.* South China Reserves, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Gilmour.

Division II. "B."

Kock-off, 4.0 p.m.

Kowloon "B" *v.* Moslem Club, Kowloon F.C. ground. Referee: Mr. Stokes.

St. Joseph's Reserves *v.* Boy Scouts, St. Joseph's ground. Referee: Mr. Lamb.

H.K. & S. Bank *v.* China Athletic "B," South China ground. Referee: Mr. Omar.

Kick-off, 2.30 p.m.

China Athletic "A" *v.* South China, Sookunpoo "B" ground. Referee: Mr. Samy.

With the addition of Mr. Cowan and Mr. Stokes to the referees list this week, there will be sufficient for the number of games to be played without any official having to take two games.

Thirteen games are down for to-day, the only team not taking part in a league fixture is H.M.S. *Tamar*.

The Champions are due on the Garrison ground against South China. A good game should be seen with the defence on both sides holding the upper hand. With the addition of Orr, the Kowloon attack has been strengthened, but South China have a good defence and, should Lau Hing Cheung play the right game, a division of points is expected.

The crowd will watch the game on the H.K.F.C. ground between the China Athletic and the Borderers. The soldiers have been going strongly recently and should add to their list of wins to-day at the expense of the Athletic. Ip Kau was absent from the Athletic team last week against the *Tamar*, and the front line was not impressive. Wong, at centre forward, is a hard worker, but he should get rid of the ball quicker. Suen and Chan did not play up to their usual form.

The Police make their first appearance at King's Park, and although they are not likely to return with the full points, they should make the home team "go all out" should they wish to win.

The Hong Kong Club play their return game with the R.A. on the Navy ground. Bishop, who has recently returned from home leave will assume his old position with the Club team. The Club expects to win, and with the Gunners not at full strength, they should succeed.

The two military teams in the "A" division are due at Sookunpoo. The R.A. will make a couple of changes to the side that lost by three goals to two in midweek. They expect to take the points.

The two Chinese teams meet on the Club ground and a keen game is expected to end in a win for the "A."

The Recreio Reserves receive the Club juniors, and a good game should end in a win for the home team. Mitchell will lead the visitors attack and will probably get the line in working order. The failure of a good working forward line has been very noticeable in the junior games this season.

The University are due on the Railway ground, and although absent from league football for the past weeks, they have been playing in the University league when their studies permitted. They will give the Kowloon team a good game and probably share the points.

South China Reserves will be out on the St. Joseph's ground against the College team. A win for South China is expected, as several players of St. Joseph's senior side are on the sick list.

Kowloon receive the Moslems in the "B" division and the visitors should win.

St. Joseph's Reserves will be out against the Boy Scouts and the leaders should improve on last week's play or they will lose.

The Chinese teams should win against the Bank and South China teams, respectively.

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CRICKET.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

All the cricket grounds will be engaged this afternoon and five league and four friendly matches will be played.

The meeting of Kowloon Cricket Club and University should prove the most interesting game in the first division. Kowloon have the advantage of playing at home and they are expected to win. But the University also have a strong team and should do well. It will be Kowloon's second appearance and the University's fourth match.

To-day, Civil Service appear for the fifth time this season. Their opponents are the Chinese who sprang a surprise on a weak Hong Kong Cricket Club team. The Chinese have lost two matches so far. Civil Service should win to-day.

The Royal Navy and Royal Engineers and Signals match has to be postponed for want of a ground.

Three matches will be played in the junior division.

The list of matches is as follows:—

League: Division I.

Chinese R.C. *v.* Civil Service C.C.
Kowloon C.C. *v.* University.

Division II.

Indian R.C. *v.* Hong Kong C.C.
University *v.* R.A.O.C.
Police R.C. *v.* Royal Navy.

Friendly Matches.

H.K.C.C. *v.* Lieut.-Col. Cantrell's XI. (I.).
Recreio *v.* Diocesan Boys' School (II.).
Civil Service *v.* H.M.S. *Tamar* (II.).
Craigengower *v.* Hong Kong Electric Co. (II.).

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI. *v.* I.R.C. 2nd XI.

This league match will be played to-day.

Hong Kong C.C.:—S. Jacks (captain), H. H. Benson, M. D. G. Hoare, F. E. Jones, R. W. Lee, L. M. S. Lloyd, A. K. Mackenzie, F. H. Orr, H. K. V. R. Stevenson, R. A. Wadeson, and A. N. Other.

BOXING.

THE WORLD'S AMATEUR HEAVY WEIGHT CHAMPION.

TRANING IN HONG KONG.

Mr. Edward Eagan, amateur heavyweight champion of the world, returned to the Colony from Manila yesterday morning by the s.s. *President McKinley*.

Eagan is training at the Police Gymnasium under Crown Sergeant Hunt; and is "working out," with Jim Cartlidge, Stoker Reynolds and Marine Streathfield this morning at 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. to-morrow. Eagan is fighting Stoker Addison, of H.M.S. *Hermes*, next Tuesday.

THE R.A. *v.* POLICE FOOTBALL INCIDENT.

LEACH AND WHITTINGTON SUSPENDED.

EMERGENCY COMMITTEE'S DRASTIC ACTION.

The regrettable incident which occurred during the First Division League game between the Police and the Royal Artillery at Happy Valley last Saturday, when Leach (captain of the R.A. team) walked his men off the field five minutes before time, had a sequel last evening, when a special football enquiry was held.

A meeting of the Emergency Committee of the Hong Kong Football Association and the Army Command Football Committee, considered the case of Leach ordering the R.A. team to leave the field, and of Whittington being ordered to leave the field by the referee in the match between the R.A. and the Police last week.

After the cases had been given full consideration, the joint committees suspended Leach for the remainder of the season for ordering the R.A. team to leave the field. They also suspended Wittington for eight weeks, for ungentlemanly conduct in threatening the referee.

The R.A. representative apologised to the joint committees and said he regretted the incident very much. Steps would be taken, the R.A. representative stated, to prevent a recurrence.

The Incident Recalled.

It will be remembered that Wynne, one of the Police backs handled the ball inside the penalty area, and Leach, the R.A. centre-forward, picked up the ball, although the referee had not sounded his whistle. The referee then gave a free kick against the R.A., and Leach at once ordered his team off the field.

"Sunday Herald" Charity Cup.

The following have been chosen to represent England against Scotland on Boxing Day:—

Avery (*Tamar*), Wynee (Police) and Bishop (Club); Hudson (Police), Simms (Kowloon) and Watson (Club); Taylor and Howard (Club), Orr (Kowloon), Pulford (R.A.) and Hayes (Kowloon).

Reserves:—Brittain (Police).

The following have been appointed to the Charity Cup matches:—

Christmas Day: Portugal *v.* China.
Referee: Mr. Phillips. Linesmen, Messrs. Omar and Lawrence.

Boxing Day: England *v.* Scotland.
Referee: Captain Austin. Linesmen, Messrs. McTavish and Lamb.

The annual match between the Navy and Army will take place on Saturday, January 8th, at Sookunpoo.

The senior league games down for that date will be brought forward to New Year's Day.

GOLF.

LADIES' SECTION.

A NEW COMPETITION.

In connection with the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club a prize has been presented for a Bogey Competition restricted to nursing sisters, school teachers and any other ladies whose occupations prevents them from entering an ordinary competition.

"The competition will be played on the New Course at Fanling between December 22nd, 1926, and January 15th, 1927, under Bogey conditions, ¾ handicap being allowed. Any number of cards may be taken out. The book in the Ladies' Club House must be signed before starting."

THE WEEK-END MATCH.

Championship Final To-morrow.

The principal event at Fanling this week-end is, of course, the final of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Championship. The finalists are I. W. Shewan and T. D. E. Pendered, and their match commences at 9.20 a.m.

In addition to this match, however, there is a bogey pool competition starting to-day, being continued to-morrow, and concluding on Monday.

TO-MORROW'S GOLF.

Starting Times at Fanling.

Starting times at Fanling to-morrow will be as under:—

9.16 a.m. to 9.25 a.m.: Reserve Championship Final.
9.28 a.m. J. H. Hearn, A. E. Lissaman.
9.32 ,, J. Courthart, W. A. Butterfield.
9.36 ,, D. Blake, C. A. Peel.
9.40 ,, V. M. Brayburn, G. E. Towne.
9.44 ,, K. S. Robertson, H. G. Howard.
9.48 ,, D. Forbes, T. A. Martin.
9.52 ,, T. S. Morrison, J. P. Sherry.
9.56 ,, H. Carson, H. F. Cleland.
10.00 ,, W. L. Alexander, N. K. Littlejohn.
10.04 ,, A. Leach, F. H. Crapnell.
10.08 ,, F. Syme Thomson, H. A. Sheldon.
10.12 ,, P. P. J. Wodehouse, F. A. Redmond.
10.16 ,, F. Austin, J. F. Kennedy.
10.20 ,, D. J. Gilmore, T. L. Christie.
10.24 ,, C. C. Stark, L. R. Andrewes.
10.28 ,, J. H. Bottomley, T. Low.
10.32 ,, C. Thwaites, J. Wallace.
10.36 ,, A. B. Purves, H. U. Ireland.
10.40 ,, A. H. Ferguson, C. B. Johnson.
10.44 ,, D. S. Edward, A. Webster.
10.48 ,, A. D. Humphreys, A. O. Brawn.
10.52 ,, H. G. Hegarty, L. G. S. Dodwell.
10.56 ,, T. Whyte-Smith, D. G. Bruce.
11.00 ,, M. H. Turner, C. L. Sandes.

YACHTING.

THE WEEK-END PROGRAMME.

There is another full programme this week-end, the last of the competition races until after the New Year.

To-day the racing yachts will be out competing for Challenge Cups for this class. The course will be Channel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Lyemun Beacon (S), Mark on Club Line (S), Cust Rock Buoy (S). The distance is approximately eight miles.

To-morrow, there will be another Championship race for cruisers, the third of the series. The course will be Channel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Mark on Club Line (P), Tathong Rock (P). The distance is between eighteen and nineteen miles.

On Monday, the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club will hold their 5th Championship race. Their course will be Lyemun Beacon (P), Channel Rocks (P), Cust Rock Buoy (S). The distance is six miles.

On Sunday next, December 26th, there will be a race for the cruisers, over a course of 71 miles, namely to Macao and back, starting at 7 a.m. for the Potts' Challenge Cup. The entries this year are again good.

The racing classes do not resume their championship programme until January 8th, and the cruisers will next be out in the Championship events on Sunday, January 16th. Prior to these dates, however, there will be the usual Club cruise over the New Year week-end; while, on January 9th, there will be another Naval Day at the Club, the second this season.

HEALTH BULLETIN OF EASTERN PORTS.

The following is the health bulletin for Far Eastern Ports for the week ending December 11th:—

PLAGUE.
5 cases at Mauritius.
4 cases at Sourabaia.

CHOLERA.
2 cases at Singapore.
13 cases at Haiphong.
9 cases at Tourane.
1 case at Saigon.
2 cases at Bangkok.
62 cases at Calcutta.
2 cases at Negapatam.

SMALL-POX.
1 case at Singapore.
4 cases at Bangkok.
56 cases at Calcutta.
5 cases at Bombay.
1 case at Rangoon.
2 cases at Negapatam.

RACING NOTES.

[By RAPIER.]

Kwanti Steeplechase Meeting.

This afternoon the following riders will be seen in the saddle, Messrs. Stanton, Potts, Reidy, Ralph, Macgowan, Howard, Bousfield, Lucey, Beck, Webb and Wright Neville. A popular rider in the person of Mr. R. H. Charles will be missed although he intends to be present in the less interesting rôle of a spectator.

Black Mouse, Pasha and Cheriton Vale will not face the starter and it is doubtful if Wahkeena will be fit enough to do so.

My selections are as follows:—

Race 1: Maiden Plate.
1. October.
2. New York.
3. Drake.
4. Egbert.

In addition to the above the following will also be fielded: Rivergrass, Zircon, Formillable. If Potts takes out Two Pairs here he should taken second place.

Race 2: Open Handicap Steeplechase.
1. Reynolds.
2. Rothesay.
3. More Better.

If Sunburst Rose goes in this race the result will be:
1. Sunburst Rose.
2. Isostacy.
3. More Better.

Another starter will probably be Tam.

Race 3: Christmas Handicap.
1. Sunburst Rose.
2. Mr. Macnamara's selected.
3. Racehorse.

If Sunburst Rose goes in the preceding race the result should be:
1. Reynolds.
2. Rothesay.
3. James Pigg.

Owners are afraid of Sunburst Rose and wherever he goes the field will be small. He is, however, a very difficult pony to ride and if he shies at a fence or two he will be absolutely out of the running. In steeplechasing the race is to the sure rather than to the erratic swift.

Race 4: The Owner's Steeplechase.
1. Mowgli.
2. Craigavad.
3. Kwantao.

There is not much to choose between these three ponies and an excellent race should result.

Other likely starters are Country Mouse and Inkpot.

Race 5: United Services Race.
1. Golden Pheasant.
2. Two Pairs.
3. Chessman.
4. Bertram.

Other probable starters are Smart Guy, Benjamin, Harford, Spaghetti, Nonsuch, and Wideawake.

Paper Chase.

That popular sportswoman, Mrs. R. J. Paterson, has very kindly presented a cup for a paper chase on the afternoon of Boxing Day. This is Monday, the 27th, and *not* Sunday, the 26th. She will lay the paper herself having had a good deal of experience of paper chases in the North. Those interested should get in touch will Bill Stanton as he is O/C. paper chases. I should like to see more of these paper chases as the checks give the meanest pony a chance to be in at the finish.

Subscription Griffins.

These arrive to-day and will be drawn for at the Jockey Club Stables on Monday evening.

RACE MEETING AT MACAO.

INAUGURAL EVENT TO BE HELD IN FEBRUARY.

Under the auspices of the International Race and Recreation Club of Macao, Ltd., Macao, the inaugural race meeting for China ponies of the Club will take place at Macao on February 6th, 1927, providing that weather permits. There will be only one event, namely, "The Trial Stakes."

The first annual Spring meeting for China ponies is scheduled to take place on the 16th, 17th, 18th and 24th of April. The Champion Sweepstakes will be run on April 18th, the third day of the race.

NEW HOME FOR AGED POOR.

TO BE BLESSED TO-MORROW BY BISHOP VALTORTA.

In connection with the blessing of the new Home of the Little Sisters of the Poor at Ngau Chi Wan, Kowloon City—(for the aged poor of the Colony)—by Bishop Valtorta, to-morrow, at 3 p.m., Mr. Ngan Shing Kwan, Managing Partner of the China Motor Bus Co. (Yellow Cars) has kindly agreed to run a bus service from the Star Ferry to the bridge at Ngau Chi Wan from 2 to 2.30 p.m. and from the Bridge to the Star Ferry from 5 to 5.30 p.m. The fare is 30 cents each way. The bus will also stop at the junction of Austin Avenue and Chatham Road for Kowloon residents.

The function is being carried out under the auspices of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. A tea will be provided for the visitors, and this will be followed at five o'clock by a dinner for the aged inmates of the Home.

CURBING THE UNIONS.

OFFICIAL ACTION WARMLY WELCOMED.

FORMATION OF STREET HAWKERS' GUILD.

A VISIT TO MARSHAL CHANG TSO LIN.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

The leading commercial guilds in Canton, it is understood, are supporting those members of the Kuomintang who are endeavouring to curb the unlawful actions of some of the labour leaders. The attempts of General Li Tsai Hsin and General Chien Ta Chun, officers commanding the provincial and city troops respectively in Canton, to prevent further unreasonable strikes will also, it is thought, receive the full support of the public who are the real sufferers from labour agitations. It is hoped the next measure will be to stop agents of the Unions from collecting fees from individuals who are not members of their organisations and to discountenance the practice adopted by some military stations of holding up cargo boats for *hungshu*, or fees for the privilege of sailing on the waters.

In order that he may be able to keep stricter control of the Unions, General Chien Ta Chun is requesting his subordinates to compile a list of the workers' organisations with detailed information regarding each.

To help solve the problem of unemployment General Li Tsai Hsin is forming an army for local service, particularly for the suppression of pirates in the West River districts, and he is asking all unemployed strikers to enlist. It may be recalled that soon after the termination of the boycott, Mr. T. V. Soong, Kuomintang Minister of Finance, took in nearly 5,000 strike pickets and idle workers in order to organize a Preventive Service Corps to assist in the enforcement of the surtaxes.

As already reported the Bank strike in Canton has been settled, and on Thursday rice business was resumed, the demands of the workers having been partly met.

Another Strike.

The strike fever, however, is not confined to labourers in the Southern Capital. Now the timber workers in the North River districts have gone on strike in order to back up their demands for higher wages. Public opinion appears to side with the workers whose wages are exceedingly meagre compared with the service they render; but, of course, their employers' conditions are not by any means happy. Owners of timber lands have to pay exceedingly high taxes and tributes to the Kuomintang and to pirates before being allowed to float their logs to market and higher wages will mean heavier burdens on their shoulders.

The Communist Section of the Kuomintang has further strengthened itself in Canton by the successful organisation of a Hawkers' Union. The hawkers have very few demands against the "capitalists," because they themselves are in principle "capitalists," a term in Kuomintang propaganda defining a merchant. The hawkers, however, form a large class in Cantonese life, and the Communists desire to have them in their movement.

A certain group of military leaders, dissatisfied with the present financial administration of the Kuomintang, by which they and their men are paid, are asking for the privilege of attaching representatives to every office associated with receipts and disbursements in order to keep a check on public expenditure. General Chiang Kai Shek and Mr. T. V. Soong, Financial Minister, disapprove of the scheme, but military representatives have already reported to the Salt Bureau for duty.

The newly created Ministry of Communications of the Kuomintang is moving its head office from Canton to Hankow, and among those leaving the Southern Capital are Mr. Lin Shing Hoi, Chief Secretary to the Minister; Mr. Junkee Choy, Chief of the Division of Railways; and Mr. Wu Sheung Ying, Chief of Posts. The Ministry is considering the extension of the Kwangtung Section of the Canton-Hankow Railway from Shiukwan to Pingshek, a distance of about 140 miles.

Mr. Tai Chi Tao, chairman of the Faculty administering the Sun Yat Sen University in Canton, is soon to visit North China in order to influence Marshal Chang Tso Lin and his more important followers to side with the Kuomintang. Mr. Tai is a personal friend of Marshal Chang Tso Lin.

CANTON'S RAID ON BIAS BAY.

THE APPROVED PLANS.

AEROPLANES IN READINESS.

Commenting upon the expedition which Canton is undertaking against the pirates, the *Canton Gazette* says:

"In connection with the plans that are under way to conduct a thorough-going campaign for the suppression of bandits with particular attention to the notorious Bias Bay zone, it is learned in official circles that definite arrangements have been discussed concerning the extent of co-operation with the Hong Kong authorities.

"Co-operation, it is indicated, cannot be permitted in any way to interfere with the sovereignty of the Chinese authorities, but help on the part of Hong Kong in arresting bandits who cross the boundary between Chinese and Hong Kong territory, and handing them over to the Chinese authorities will be greatly appreciated.

"On Chinese territory, it is stated, there can be no thought of co-operation with any British force.

"Another type of co-operation which, it is stated, would be helpful and appreciated, would be any information which the Hong Kong authorities could place in the hands of the Canton authorities that would aid in the suppression of bandits.

"The suppression campaign plans which were drawn up by General Li Tsai Hsin have been approved by the body specially appointed to consider this matter by the Committee for Political Affairs, it is learned.

"Two divisions are to be assigned to the task of rounding up bandits, according to the plan, and a small squadron of gunboats will be detailed to co-operate with the land forces whenever necessary.

"Airplanes are also to be used, two having been specially set aside for the purpose of bombing pirate strongholds which are inaccessible to troops and marines.

"The authorities in charge are optimistic about the results of this determined campaign. They prophecy that the dens of the sea pirates will be cleaned up within three months."

It is understood that the "campaign" has already commenced.

PUPILS ENTERTAIN.

SCHOOL DISPLAY AT QUARY BAY.

The end of the present term at the Quarry Bay British School was marked yesterday morning by a large attendance of parents and friends of the pupils on the occasion of the customary display. The programme, which was a very good one consisted of singing, dancing and Swedish drill. Specimens of the children's work were also exhibited.

In introducing Mrs. D. Templeton, Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, paid many tributes to the work done that had enabled them to build such an up-to-date school. It was, he said, a great pleasure to be able to congratulate the school on its handsome new building. He expressed thanks to Mr. O. F. Savege of Messrs. Little, Adams and Wood, who was personally responsible for the building, and to Mr. C. H. Basto who succeeded him. He expressed warm appreciation of the work done by Mrs. Weston, and to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire for allowing them to use their premises for so long. Mrs. Mitchell, he said, was another one they must not forget as she was what they might call the mother of the schools in that district, and Mr. D. Templeton, Mr. Greig, and Miss Cotton, the present headmistress, had also helped materially.

Miss Cotton expressed her thanks for the work done by Mrs. Weston.

Certificate Winners.

Children who gained certificates were: H. Muirhead, J. Thirwell, C. Thirwell, F. Hindle, B. Hindle, C. Weir, E. Warnock, L. Simpson, J. Smith, C. Amery, A. Spiers and R. Dunlevy.

The Programme.

Carols: Hark the Christmas Bells, Good King Wenceslas, (solos by F. and B. Hindle), We Three Kings of Orient—by the whole school, *i.e.*, classes VI., VII. and VIII.

Swedish Gymnastics (12 children).

Folk song: O Soldier, Soldier, Won't You Mary Me?—by 12 children.

Three songs by the Kindergarten: Happiness, Growing Up, Hoppity Hop—from "When We Were Very Young"—by A. A. Milne.

Welsh costume dance—girls.

Two rounds—boys.

Irish coleen dance—girls.

Two French songs: Savez-vous planter les choux? and Mon Bateau.

Presentation of Royal Drawing Society's certificates by Mrs. D. Templeton of Taikoo.

Christmas Songs: Good Christian Now Rejoice, on Christmas Day—by the whole school.

FISHING BOAT RAIDED.

DARING ROBBERY NEAR REPULSE BAY.

A raid by armed robbers was made at about 2 p.m. on Thursday morning on a fishing vessel between Deep Water Bay and Repulse Bay, which resulted in the kidnapping of one of the crew and the theft of money and clothing amounting to $120.

The boat which was victimised was one of a fishing fleet, and there were other boats in the vicinity. The captive is a woman. Two of the four robbers were armed with revolvers.

THE "SUNNING" PIRACY CASE.

MORE ACCUSED LIKELY TO BE DISCHARGED.

EVIDENCE WEAK IN SEVERAL CASES.

Eight more witnesses were called at the resumed hearing at the Central Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, of the case in which nineteen Chinese are appearing on charges arising out of the piracy of the s.s. *Sunning*. This now brings the number of witnesses called up to 26, and the number of hearings to eleven. Six of the hearings have had morning and afternoon sessions.

At the morning hearing yesterday, two of the Indian guards of the *Sunning* detailed how they were surprised by the pirates and confined to their room. In the afternoon, two other Indian guards spoke of how they were overpowered and forced to join their companions in captivity. Three Chinese passengers also gave evidence of being robbed.

The last witness called was a discharged seaman of the s.s. *Chun On* (better known as the s.s. *Philadelphia*) who was travelling to Hong Kong, with ten other members of this ship's crew on the *Sunning*, when the piracy occurred. In view of his evidence it seems likely that several of the accused against whom the evidence of the Crown is admittedly weak, will be discharged on Monday, when the hearing is resumed.

Indian Guards' Story.

At the morning hearing the No. 1 ship's guard of the *Sunning* said that two guards were always on duty, when the ship was at sea. There were grilles fore and aft, one of which was usually left open. On November 15th, witness left duty at noon, and slept during the afternoon, being awakened by a commotion. While getting out of his bed, he was seized by two Chinese, armed with pistols. About a quarter of an hour later the other two guards, who had been on duty, appeared in the custody of a number of armed Chinese. All the four guards were searched, and then locked in their guard room, an armed Chinese remaining outside the door. They were kept in the room until midnight, when they were taken to the poop deck.

Ship Set on Fire.

During the hour witness and his companions were kept under guard on the poop. They saw a number of Chinese carrying coir mats and tins of kerosene oil to the centre castle, which was set on fire. Witness and his companions were compelled to assist the Chinese to lower a boat, after which they were again taken back to their room and locked up. They remained there until 8 a.m. on the 16th, when the door was broken open, and their release secured.

No Identifications.

Witness, in answer to Mr. H. K. Holmes (the Crown Solicitor) said he could not identify any of the accused.

Another Indian guard corroborated this evidence, and the Court adjourned until the afternoon.

At the resumed hearing in the afternoon, a third Indian guard, who was on duty when the pirates obtained control of the *Sunning*, stated that at about 3.50 p.m., two Chinese approached him from in front and two more from behind. Muzzles of revolvers were pushed against his body; he was robbed of his ship's rifle and ammunition, and then taken to join his companions in the guards' room. Witness then went on to corroborate the evidence given in the morning.

His evidence was also corroborated by the fourth Indian guard.

A Chinese married woman, a first class passenger, spoke of being robbed of her money and two watches; and two Chinese male second class passengers also said they were robbed of personal property, clothing, money, etc. None of these three witnesses could identify any of the accused.

Not Pirates?

A discharged Chinese seaman of the s.s. *Chun On* (or s.s. *Philadelphia*) said he was on the way to Hong Kong from Shanghai in company with a number of other members of the *Chun On's* crew.

Questioned by Mr. M. K. Lo (appearing for the defence of the sixth accused and ten others), witness identified Nos. 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 as being members of the crew of the *Chun On*. Witness said that these men were with him in the steerage at the time the piracy commenced. They remained there until midnight.

Mistaken Identity.

In further answer to Mr. Lo, witness said that if the Chief Officer of the *Sunning* had said that the seventh accused was a particularly officious man; and the Second Engineer had said he was armed with a water bottle and struck him with it, then these officers must have wrongly identified this man. Witness added that No. 7 accused remained in the steerage until 1 a.m. when he was driven up by the pirates, in company with other steerage passengers, to the boat deck.

In answer to Mr. Holmes, witness admitted that he slept for a couple hours between 1 p.m. and 9 p.m.

Evidence Very Weak.

Mr. Lindsell, to Mr. Holmes: Apart from the rather hazy evidence of the Captain of the *Sunning*, what other evidence have you against these ten defendants, apart from the other nine?

(*Continued on next Column*).

"THE TATTERED NOTE" CASE.

LEAVE TO APPEAL GRANTED.

IMPORTANT BANKING PRINCIPLE INVOLVED.

Leave to appeal against the decision of the Puisne Judge in the recent case in which he found against the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation was granted by a Full Court, comprising Sir Henry Gollan, the Chief Justice, and Mr. Justice Wood yesterday.

Mr. Eldon Potter making the application said that he applied for leave to appeal against the decision of the Puisne Judge in an action brought against the Hong Kong & Shanghai Bank, in which the plaintiff claimed the sum of $500 from the Bank.

The action, he continued, involved a question of very considerable importance not only for the Bank but of the public at large. In fact, he thought that the judgment of the Puisne Judge would have a great bearing on the note issue of the Colony if upheld.

Mr. Potter then read portions of the Puisne Judge's judgment and commented upon them. He held that the note had been materially altered and if a note was altered in any material way, it was void. That was the law. It seemed a harsh and hard doctrine, but it had to be enforced and had been by judges. Numbers were material to the note, but in this case the numbers were gone. Therefore, a material and essential part of the note had been changed.

The Chief Justice: If the woman knew the number of the note and although she could not produce it, would the Bank be liable?

Mr. Potter replied in the negative, and pointed out that according to Mr. Towns, the accountant, such cases of tattered bank notes occurred every week. The whole system of accountancy in the bank was based on serial numbers.

The Chief Justice: Yes, I can see the convenience of that. (Laughter.)

After Mr. Potter had quoted several cases in support of his contention, the Chief Justice said that leave to appeal was granted.

PROPERTY SALES.

ONLY TWO LOTS SOLD.

FOUR OTHER LOTS WITHDRAWN.

At the China Auction Rooms, No. 4, Duddell Street, yesterday, Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa offered for public auction some leasehold property in six lots. Two lots only were disposed of, the others being withdrawn as the reserve was not reached.

The properties were at Nos. 7 and 8, Mui Fong Street; No. 4, Mosque Street; No. 4, Ko Shing Street; No. 22, Stanley Street; No. 153D, Des Vœux Road West; and No. 53, Robinson Road; all offered for sale by order of the mortgagee.

The lot at Mui Fong Street was knocked down to Long Chuen, of 152, Wing Lok Street (third floor) for $38,000.

Kwong Kin Seong, of No. 77, Bonham Strand West, paid a like amount for the lot at Ko Shing Street.

Mr. Lo interposed that it seemed to him that his (Mr. Lo's) case with regard to these men was even better than had been the case with regard to the 19th accused (the ship's carpenter) who was discharged on the previous day.

Mr. Holmes, replying to his Worship, said there was some direct evidence against certain of the accused. Some evidence would be called against the ninth man, as a boy would say he served him with a meal. The case against Nos. 10, 11, 12 and 13, he agreed, was very weak. Against No. 14 there was some evidence. With regard to the sixteenth accused the Crown case was weak and Mr. Holmes thought that several things were very much in this man's favour. The case against Nos. 17 and 18 was also very weak.

Question of Discharge.

Mr. Lindsell: I think if there is nothing against No. 13 beyond the fact that the compradore identified him as a man who went up to the Chief Officer's cabin to obtain a toothache cure that the prosecution should withdraw against him.

Mr. Holmes replied that he had his own views with regard to the case of this man, and he would discuss the position over the week-end, but he would rather not go any further at this stage.

Mr. Lindsell: It seems rather hard that the man should be held for another week if you feel that you cannot bring a case against him, and then I shall be bound to discharge him when your case is closed.

Mr. Holmes said that this case was one in which any evidence might crop up at any time. He promised, however, to go into the matter fully during the week-end.

Mr. Lo hoped that Mr. Holmes would be able to say on Monday what men he would be willing to see discharged from the case. At the same time Mr. Lo expressed his thanks for the scrupulously fair manner in which the Crown Solicitor had conducted the cases with regard to the accused he (Mr. Lo) is defending.

Mr. Holmes said he would investigate the position with regard to all the accused mentioned that afternoon.

Mr. Lindsell then adjourned the case until Monday afternoon at 2.15.

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F. HAYLEY BELL,
Commissioner of Chinese Customs,
Kowloon and District.

Office of Chinese Maritime Customs
For Kowloon and District,
York Buildings,
Hong Kong, 17th December, 1926. [4321

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THE INTERNATIONAL RACE AND RECREATION CLUB OF MACAO, LIMITED, MACAO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the INAUGURAL RACE MEETING FOR CHINA PONIES of This Club will take place at MACAO on the 6TH FEBRUARY, 1927 NEXT, if Weather Permits. There will be Only One Event at This Meeting, "THE TRIAL STAKES."

The FIRST ANNUAL SPRING MEETING FOR CHINA PONIES is Scheduled to take place on the 16TH, 17TH, 18TH and 24TH APRIL, 1927. The CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKE will be Run on the 18TH APRIL, the 3RD Day of the Meeting.

By Order,
S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

COMPANIES (WINDING UP)
No. 5 OF 1926.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES, 1911,
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE ORIENTAL COMMERCIAL BANK, LTD.

WINDING UP Order made the 15TH, DAY of DECEMBER, 1926.

Date and Place of First Meeting:—
CREDITORS—23RD DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926, at 10.30 o'clock in the FORENOON at the OFFICIAL RECEIVER'S Office.
CONTRIBUTORIES—23RD DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926, at 11.30 o'clock in the FORENOON at the OFFICIAL RECEIVER'S Office.

Dated the 18th day of December, 1926.
E. L. AGASSIZ,
Official Receiver and Provisional Liquidator.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

COMPANIES WINDING UP
No. 1 OF 1924.

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES, 1911-1925,
AND
IN THE MATTER OF THE CHINESE MERCHANTS BANK, LIMITED (IN LIQUIDATION).

SECOND DIVIDEND OF TEN PER CENTUM.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that A SECOND DIVIDEND of TEN PER CENTUM has been Declared in This Matter, and that the same may be received at my Office, CHARTERED BANK BUILDING, Victoria, Hong Kong, on the 20TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926, or on any Subsequent Day, between the Hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

Upon Applying for Payment Creditors must produce the Notice sent to them together with any Bills of Exchange, Deposit Receipts, Pass Books or Securities held by them.

JOHN FLEMING, C.A.,
Liquidator
18th December, 1926. [4317

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF CLARA H. BAINBRIGGE, LATE OF EMPRESS STORE, KOWLOON, IN THE COLONY OF HONG KONG, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has, by virtue of Section 58 of The Probates Ordinance 1897 (No. 2 of 1897), made an Order limiting the Time for Sending in Claims to or Against the above Estate to the 14TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1927.

Creditors and Claimants are hereby required to send their Claims to the Undersigned by the above Date.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1926.
HUGH ADAIR NISBET,
Official Administrator.
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INTIMATIONS.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that An EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Pedder Street, Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, on MONDAY, THE 20TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 1926, at 11 o'clock in the FORENOON, when the Subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz.:—

"That the Regulations contained in the printed document submitted to the Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman thereof be approved and adopted as the Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for and to the exclusion of all existing Articles thereof."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that a Further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Same Place on MONDAY, THE TENTH DAY OF JANUARY, 1927, at 11 o'clock in the FORENOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Proceedings of the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

Dated this 13th day of December, 1926.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
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CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that An EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD., will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, Chater Road, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on MONDAY, THE 3RD DAY OF JANUARY, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the AFTERNOON when the Subjoined Resolution will be proposed as an Extraordinary Resolution, viz:—

"That the regulations contained in the "printed document submitted to the "Meeting and for the purpose of identification subscribed by the Chairman "thereof be approved and adopted as "the Articles of Association of the "Company in substitution for and to "the exclusion of all existing Articles "thereof."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that A Further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Same Place on THURSDAY, THE 20TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1927, at 2.30 o'clock in the AFTERNOON for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Proceedings of the above mentioned Meeting and of confirming, if thought fit, as a Special Resolution the above mentioned Resolution.

A copy of the proposed new Articles of Association of the Company with the said Alterations, Amendments and Differences between the existing and new Articles incorporated and indicated in Red Ink can be seen during usual business hours at the Registered Office of the Company aforesaid.

Dated the 16th day of December, 1926.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, December 15th, 1926. [4313

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 5/NS 4822 dated HONGKONG, 2ND OCTOBER, 1917, for One Share of this Bank Numbered 54097 in the Name of MR. LO KWONG HIN has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 9TH JANUARY, 1927, a New Certificate for the Share will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5/NS 4822 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th December, 1926.
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HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certificate No. 5/NS 4760 dated HONGKONG, 31st AUGUST, 1917, for Three Shares of this Bank Numbered 54094/54096 in the Name of MR. LO KWONG LUM has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 9TH JANUARY, 1927, a New Certificate for the Shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5/NS 4760 will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th December, 1926.
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HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Certified Transfer Deed for One Share of this Bank Numbered 62658 in the Name of MR. ANTHONY HENRY CARROLL stated to have been completed by MRS. E. M. STAPLETON has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certified Transfer Deed not be produced before the 9TH JANUARY, 1927, a New Certified Transfer Deed will be issued, and the aforesaid Missing Certified Transfer Deed will be thereafter treated by this Corporation as NULL and VOID.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 9th December, 1926.
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UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

THE Certificate No. 1558 for One Silver Share No. 1138 now converted into Five Gold Shares in this Society standing in the Name of CHAS. E. RICHARDSON of Hong Kong has been declared LOST, and if at the expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the above Document be not forthcoming the said Certificate will be deemed Cancelled and of No Effect, and a NEW Certificate for the Five Gold Shares will be issued in its stead by the Society.

PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 22nd November, 1926.
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INTIMATIONS.

EWO COTTON MILLS, LTD.

THE undermentioned Share Certificate has been declared DESTROYED and NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN against the Negotiation of These Shares.

Duplicate Certificate will be issued One Month hence and the Original Certificate, unless Recovered within that Period, will thereafter be held by the Company as NULL and VOID.

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DEATH.

VAN CORTLANDT.—On December 16th, at Singapore, on board the R.M.S. *Macedonia*, Captain NEWTON WYNNE VAN CORTLANDT, of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.—suddenly—in his 37th year. [4316

Hong Kong Office: 1A, Chater Road.
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, DECEMBER 18TH, 1926.

CHINA AND THE FUTURE.

THE friends of China are finding it very hard just now to maintain that faith and kindly interest in the country, which hitherto they have firmly held. It is not easy to assign the just proportions of the present unhappy state to the various causes operating at the moment. There is little reason to doubt that China will soon rue the day, if she is not already doing so, that heralded the intrusion of Bolshevism within her peaceful borders. SUN YAT SEN himself does not seem to have had any clear notion how to get on with the task of regenerating China after the destruction of the Manchu dynasty. It was at the last, when he was a sick man, when his mental state was not very clear, that he began coquetting with these Russian ideas, hoping to find in them the stimulus for achieving what he had in mind,—a country administered in that clean, healthy manner in which he saw Western States governed. His aim was sound, but the means by which he chose to achieve it were the first cause of the present chaos.

What success the Cantonese have attained in their present work has been attained not by adopting the Bolshevik doctrine, but by a section of the Government combatting it. The stirring up of the workers, the excessive powers wielded by the guilds, the class consciousness aroused, the belief that the workers can secure for themselves whatever conditions they might conjure up in their imaginations; their claim to be outside the law, and therefore a law unto themselves, can only end in complete disillusionment or in chaos and national disintegration.

The workers have the idea that wealth is to be obtained by merely demanding it. The notion that China is wealthy is too absurd to be entertained by any one who has a nodding acquaintance with the country. That she is potentially wealthy is only partially true, for even if there were untold mineral wealth in the bowels of the earth, this is a vastly different state of things from actual wealth on the top of it. To produce the wealth which may be hidden under the surface requires a combination of capital, enterprise, technical skill, and intelligence of a very high order, and the necessary conditions which precede the creation of these last factors. It is safe to say that there is little surplus capital in China for the upbringing of numerous offspring must always encroach on the margins left over and it will be difficult to eradicate a religious belief that works such havoc with the plane of living. Foreign capital must therefore be sought, but the present anti-foreign activities will effectually divert for many years the flow of foreign capital into the country. The failure of the much vaunted Whampoa scheme to materialise is only one indication of the inability of the Chinese themselves to bring together money, enterprise, and labour in their due proportions. Whatever schemes, on a large scale, have been realised so far in China have been always under foreign guidance and with the aid of foreign capital.

The creation of an educated class—engineers, doctors, teachers, who might become managers or supervisors of important public works is impossible in the atmosphere prevailing. The educational system is permeated with extreme political thought; it is being exploited for the purpose of rousing passion. In such conditions it is impossible for the creative impulses to emerge. Intellectual life, for its proper growth, requires calm, unimpassioned surroundings. It cannot flourish where unreasoned hate becomes more important than zeal for academic work. How long it will take to eradicate this pestilence from the sphere of educational activity, it is hard to say, but it is obvious that intellectual progress, of a kind that will benefit the country, is out of the question in present circumstances.

Even if peace and quietness could be re-established, it is more than doubtful whether the present educational programme would lead to the spiritual regeneration of China. It seems to us that the country, in rejecting her well wishers and friends, in antagonising the foreigner, in driving away capital and in undermining confidence, in rousing hopes among the workers that are doomed to disappointment, is setting out upon a course which will lead, not so much to a bright and glorious future as to the negation of all those aspirations. Part of Official China has taken as her life partner, not the vigorous healthy representative of Western culture, but one so advanced in political disease as to bear in his countenance the signs of decadence and death.

It seems agreed that China cannot, in the life time of the present generation, rise to such a position as to win the esteem of the world. What is most likely to occur in the near future is a military dictatorship under which the people, formerly chastised with whips, will be chastised by scorpions.

On Thursday there was a clean bill of health in the Colony.

The whist drive, which was announced to take place at the Helena May Institute, on Thursday evening, was cancelled.

A further adjournment was ordered at the Central Magistracy yesterday in the case of the two men charged with the attempted theft of watches from Messrs. Sennet Freres.

The U.S.S. *Helena* arrived in port last evening. The usual salutes were exchanged.

Mr. L. G. Scott, superintendent of the Peak Tramways, Ltd., went on leave yesterday by the s.s. *Changte* bound for Manila and Australia.

The concluding competition for the "Ralphs" Shield will be held by the St. John Ambulance Brigade to-morrow morning on Murray Parade Ground commencing at 9.30.

The Military Hospital, Bowen Road, held their first dance of the season there last night. Dancing was from 8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m. and an enjoyable time was spent by all who attended.

Among the passengers who left for Manila and Australia ports by the s.s. *Changte* were Mr. and Mrs. Jackman, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Gray and Mr. L. G. Scott.

Two Chinese, charged in connection with uttering and being in possession of a forged $10 bank-note, were sentenced, respectively, to three and two months at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

A combined meeting of the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild of China (Hong Kong Branches) is being held to-morrow at 10.30 a.m., for the purpose of discussing "urgent business."

In our report of the annual meeting of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club yesterday it was stated that Mr. Edgar Davis was elected Captain for the ensuing year. This was a misprint. It should have been Mr. Edgar Davidson.

On his way back to Shanghai, Dr. C. T. Wang, the well known politician and President of the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation, arrived in Hong Kong yesterday on the *President McKinley* from Manila.

Edward Zimmern, charged with assaulting a ticket seller at Queen's Pier, failed to appear in Court when his case was called before Major C. Willson yesterday. Bail of $10, deposited with the Police Inspector, was estreated.

At a meeting of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, held at the Italian Mission on Thursday night, Chev. J. M. Alves stated that the gross receipts of the recent bazaar would exceed $22,000. He paid a tribute work done by the Chinese ladies.

The Club Lusitano celebrated its 60th Anniversary last evening by holding a reception for members and the Portuguese community generally. The reception was followed by an impromptu dance, at which the Lyric Orchestra provided the music.

At the conclusion of the evening service at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, to-morrow, there will be a social hour in the Church Hall, adjoining, commencing at 7.15 p.m. Service men are especially given a cordial invitation to attend this gathering.

Sub-Inspector Fallon, who sustained injuries inflicted by a madman running amok in Yaumati district on Thursday night, left the hospital yesterday. Sergt. Lamptrill, another victim, is still in hospital. His injuries are somewhat serious, and it is expected that he will be detained in hospital for a fortnight. Traffic Inspector Nicoll also received a slight cut in the wrist.

Thomas Vaughan Jenkins, an unemployed Englishman, was committed to the House of Detention at the Central Magistracy yesterday on a charge of vagrancy. It was stated that defendant was quite respectable when sober, but in drink he was troublesome. George Demetriovoski, an American of Russian origin, was similarly charged and a like committal was made.

MILITARY WEDDING.

MAJOR PETERSON AND MRS. COMPTON SMITH.

GENERAL GIVES BRIDE AWAY.

At St. John's Cathedral on Thursday, when the Rev. H. V. Copley Moyle officiated, Major Guy Lansberry Peterson, of the R.A.S.C., was married to Mrs. Compton Smith, widow of Major Compton Smith, who was killed in Ireland.

The wedding was a quiet one, being attended by a few officers from military units stationed here, and a few friends. The Rev. H. V. Copley-Moyle officiated.

Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., gave the bride away and Major Bennett, M.C., was the "best man."

After the ceremony, the bride and bridegroom left the church under an archway of crossed swords. A reception was given at Headquarters House after which Major and Mrs. Peterson left for Repulse Bay. They leave later for Fanling.

Amongst those present at the ceremony and later at the reception were: Mrs. and Miss Luard, Col. and Mrs. C. Russell Brown, Col. and Mrs. Boylan Smith, Mrs. Macready, Commander Broadley, Commander Pitcairn-Jones, Lieut.-Col. C. M. Stephen, Major Roberts, Capt. E. W. Morris, Capt. and Mrs. H. N. E. Walker, Major L. J. Lightfoot, Major A. R. Stamford, Lieut. and Mrs. C. H. Atkins, Lieut. R. Q. F. Johnston (A.D.C.) and Mrs. Johnston.

Warrant officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the R.A.S.C. and I.A.S.C. (permanent staff) also attended.

CHINA'S CIVIL WAR.

HANGCHOW RE-CAPTURED BY NORTHERN "LOYALS."

SUN CHUAN FANG ON THE WARPATH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, December 17th.

It appears that a mere handful of Southerners in plain clothes entered Hangchow on Tuesday and cut the railway early on Wednesday morning. But they evacuated the city on Wednesday night following the restoration of the communications with Shanghai, when Sun Chuan Fang sent 4,500 loyal troops to Hangchow to reinforce the 9,000 "loyals" there. Sun has altogether 25,000 "loyal" in Shanghai and in Hangchow region.

The report that Chekiang has declared independence is unfounded. It arose owing to the doubtful attitude of 6,000 troops in Hangchow.

MORE BRITISH DESTROYERS FOR CHINA STATION.

MALTA, December 17th.

The Fourth Destroyer Flotilla has been ordered to China, and is now taking in munitions and stores. It will probably leave this afternoon, and the cruiser *Curaçoa* may accompany it.

KUOMINTANG'S EXTORTION.

EXTRAORDINARY DEMAND ON THE HANKOW RACE CLUB.

HANKOW, December 17th.

The Political Bureau has demanded one-fifth of the profits of the Hankow Race Club, which, as is well-known, is not only a Race Club but is the chief foreign recreation and social amusement centre in Hankow. It is situated in Chinese territory, 1½ miles outside of the British Concession and is registered as a British company.

The Bureau also demands that the Club's books be audited by the Bureau as are, at present, the books of all Chinese storekeepers of the Native City.

All the Chinese jewellery stores have closed down on account of the demands of the unions and the high taxation.

U.S. STEEL CORPORATION.

BIG INCREASE OF SHARES TO BE MADE.

BOOM IN THE MARKET.

LONDON, December 17th.

It is officially announced that the United States' Steel Corporation has unanimously passed a vote recommending to stock-holders, at the annual meeting to be held in April, 1927, that the Corporation's common shares be increased by 2,032,210 shares, which is equivalent to 40 per cent. of the present outstanding common shares, for the purpose of distributing them an extra special dividend will be made to common stock-holders.

Although some distribution was long expected, the size of the bonus has been a general surprise. The stock was the feature of the day's market and was dealt with in enormous volume. It reached over 157, or over three points above that of the previous days dealings.

FRENCH DISCOUNT RATE.

REDUCED TO 6½ PER CENTUM.

BOON TO FRENCH TRADE.

PARIS, December 17th.

The Banque of France has reduced its discount rate to 6½ per centum. The rate was raised to 7½ per centum when the franc was quoted at 200 to the pound in order to compel the repatriation of French capital. It is now considered that the object has been largely attained and the reduction comes as a boon to French trade, which was languishing.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

NO MORE SENSATIONAL DIVORCE REPORTS.

RUGBY, December 16th.

Among measures which have received the Royal assent is the bill which regulates press reports of divorce and other matrimonial cases. The new Act came into force immediately so that henceforth in the above mentioned cases publication will only be permitted of the names and addresses of the parties and the witnesses with a statement of the grounds of the petition and defence, the judge' ssumming-up and the jury's finding and judgment.

BRITISH BROADCASTING.

PASSING FROM B.B.C. TO A STATE-CONTROLLED CORPORATION.

OFFICIAL STATEMENTS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 17th.

The control of telephonic broadcasting in Britain passes at the end of the year from the British Broadcasting Company to a State-controlled Corporation.

At a dinner last night, the Premier and other prominent men paid a tribute to the manner in which private enterprise had developed telephonic broadcasting in Britain during the past four years, making particular reference to the quality of the entertainment provided and the complete impartiality of the domestic news bulletins.

The Postmaster-General, referring to the new Corporation's Powers, said the changed status would give the Corporation more freedom. So far from it being fettered by legislature, it would be more independent, apart from restrictions which for the present were imposed upon the broadcasting of editorial and of controversial matter of particular types. The conduct of business, technical arrangements, and the composition of programmes lay solely in the discretion of the governors of the new Corporation and that discretion he promised to maintain.

Mr. Reith, the present managing director of the Company, who will be Director-General of the new Corporation, said the world's chief broadcast system would, he believed, eventually be so inter-related that barriers of nationality, language and geography would be overcome.

FROM ENGLAND TO INDIA IN "MOTH" AEROPLANES.

BAGDAD REACHED.

SEVERAL NON-STOP RECORDS CREATED.

RUGBY, December 17th.

The two "Moth" aeroplanes, piloted by Captain Stack and Captain Leete Wright (?) have reached Bagdad on their flight to India. They have created several records for long non-stop flights for small machines during their journey.

NEW ZEALAND'S PREMIER.

VISITING BATTLEFIELDS AND CEMETERIES.

RUGBY, December 17th.

The New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr. Coates, left London for France to-day to visit the battlefields and the war cemeteries of New Zealand soldiers.

LABOUR EX-CHANCELLOR APPROVES TRUSTS.

AN INSTRUMENT OF PEACE.

RUGBY, December 16th.

Amalgamations have been a marked feature of big British business in recent years. The latest instance is the Chemical Combine with an issued capital of £57,000,000. It is interesting to note that Mr. Philip Snowden who was Chancellor of Exchequer in late Labour Government approves of this policy. Addressing to-day Members of the Institute of Chartered Accountants he said: "These amalgamations will tend to become not merely national but international in character and I look forward to the development of international trusts as a great instrument in the preservation of world peace. I have had occasion in the United States, that classic land of trusts, to go into question thoroughly and I came to conclusion without hesitation that the general effect of trusts in United States has not been to increase prices."

SIR H. SAMUEL RETURNING TO POLITICS.

TO STAND AS LIBERAL CANDIDATE.

RUGBY, December 16th.

Sir Herbert Samuel, according to the newspapers, has decided to return to political life. After holding, under Liberal administrations, various Government offices including those of Postmaster-General and Home Secretary he became in 1920 first High Commissioner of the Mandated Territory of Palestine. Since he retired from this office last year he has been much in the public eye as Chairman of the Coal Commission. It is understood that he will take the earliest opportunity of contesting a Parliamentary seat in the Liberal interest.

MR. AMERY ON THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

EXPLAINS IT IN THE LIGHT OF THE RECENT CONFERENCE.

CONTRASTS IT WITH THE FEDERAL SYSTEM.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, December 17th.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Amery, reviewing the work of the Imperial Conference, said it had removed certain internal political difficulties in some of the Dominions and had strengthened inter-imperial relations.

In accordance with past procedure, the Balfour Report on those relations had not attempted to lay down a constitution but generally to consider how it had developed.

The British system was entirely different from the federal system and the Conference revealed that in Empire Councils a constitutional conception was evolving, namely, that of unity, which worked from within, giving absolute freedom to each part, and which was not less effective than other forms of unity imposed from without by a constitutional federal scheme.

Empire co-operation by conference and consultation extended to every aspect of national life, migration, social questions, research, communications, mutual preference—a far wider field than that of any union which was solely for defence and security against the outside world.

BRITISH MINERS BUSY.

730,000 MEN DIG 3,000,000 TONS A WEEK.

RUGBY, December 16th.

During the week ended December 4th the output of coal from British mines was 3,126,100 tons. A total of 730,100 men were at work. For purposes of comparision with normal times it may be stated that for the quarter ended December 1925 there were 1,042,997 work people and output for that quarter was at rate of 4,820,000 tons per week.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GERMAN POLITICS.

SOCIALIST LEADER'S DENUNCIATION OF THE NATIONALISTS.

ALLEGED ABUSES.

BERLIN, December 17th.

The voting on the Social Democrats' motion of non-confidence has been postponed until to-morrow after a lively debate.

The Chancellor, Dr. Marx, deprecated a Government crisis in view of the important international questions unsettled at Geneva, but the ex-Chancellor, Dr. Scheidmann, on behalf of the Socialists and amid howls of rage and cries of "Traitor from the Right," denounced the alleged abuses of the Reichswehr Officers. He alleged that they acted illegally in obtaining money and munitions from Russia and in recruiting exclusively from Nationalist organisations, and that Dr. Stresemann's foreign policy was being thwarted. Germany wished honestly to observe the peace treaties.

The Nationalists at this point indignantly withdraw.

Dr. Scheidemann demanded guarantees that secret arming would cease and also that there would be "no more Soviet ammunition for German guns."

Dr. Marx, in reply, said the question of revising the recruiting regulations was being considered, but he declared that Dr. Scheidemann's allegations referred to the past and he did not admit their accuracy.

INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS.

WHAT THE FINAL ELECTION RETURNS REVEAL.

DELHI, December 16th.

The final election returns show that the nominees of the Indian National Congress have maintained the Swarajists' strength in the All India National Assembly and in the Bengal Council, and have increased their numbers materially in the Madras, Bihar and Assam Councils, but have suffered reverses in Bombay, the Central Province, the Punjab and the United Provinces.

Nevertheless, except in a couple of cases, they form the largest single political group, though they do not hold an absolute majority in any Council. Thus in Congress the men, some of whom are not necessarily Swarajists, who are bound to a policy of obstruction, are unable alone to create deadlocks in any Legislature. The tide momentarily favours those who incline to the policy of forming a Ministry to work reforms, but interesting developments are expected in the coming session of the National Congress at Gauhati, under the Presidency of Srinivasa Iyengar, when the Responsivists try to change the Congress programme in favour of the acceptance of responsibility.

MEXICO'S NEW OIL LAWS.

THEIR EFFECT ON FOREIGN CONCERNS IN MEXICO.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MEXICO CITY, December 17th.

The Government has telegraphed to the foreign companies that if they do not apply for confirmation of their titles, in accordance with the Oil laws, and within the time limit, they will be deemed to have renounced their rights.

A statement, however, in the same telegram, says the law does not provide for "forfeiture" for the violation of the provisions. A further statement commented upon is that a number of the largest companies, popularly considered as foreign, such as the Lacorona and Elguila (Mexican Eagle Oil) are Mexican, according to the Articles of Incorporation.

NICARAGUA AND MEXICO.

PRESIDENT DIAZ'S EXPRESSES HIS OPINION.

MANAGUE, December 17th.

President Diaz, in a message to the Nicaraguan Congress, strongly deprecates Mexico's interference and aggression, which he describes as inexplicable.

THE DOHENY TRIAL.

ACCUSED ACQUITTED OF CONSPIRACY.

NEW YORK, December 16th.

Messrs. Fall and Doheny have been acquitted of the oil conspiracy charge.

They are, however, still indicted for bribery in connection with a transaction involving $100,000 which Doheny admitted sending to Fall, though, describing it as a loan to an old friend. Fall is also charged with conspiracy to defraud the Government along with Mr. Harry Sinclair, of Teapot Dome fame.

[THROUGH REUTER'S SERVICE.]

REVOLT IN PORTUGAL.

A MILITARY OUTBREAK.

LISBON, December 16th.

It is reported that a military revolt has broken out in the south of Portugal. The Government has sent troops to deal with the rebels.

OBITUARY.

CAPT. N. W. VAN CORTLANDT.

DEATH IN SINGAPORE.

Capt. N. W. Van Cortlandt, of the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., one of the best known skippers on the China Coast, died on Thursday on board the s.s. *Macedonia* at Singapore, whilst on a homeward trip.

Deceased had suffered from abdominal trouble recently, and was to undergo an operation on reaching Home. When he left Hong Kong on Saturday, he was apparently quite well.

Capt. Van Cortlandt was only in his 37th year. At the age of 21 (in 1910) he joined the Indo-China Co., was promoted chief officer in 1913 and master in 1919.

He was married and his wife resides at Home. As far as is known he does not leave a family. The father of deceased is Major R. Van Cortlandt, a retired Army officer, who is also resident in the United Kingdom.

Capt. Van Cortlandt's last ship was the *Kwaisang*, on the Hong Kong-Bangkok run. During the War he was mostly on the *Cheongshing* and saw service in Mesopotamia, gaining the Mercantile Marine and War medals.

A DUTCH STATESMAN.

THE HAGUE, December 17th.

The death is announced of Dr. Dresselhuys, the leader of the Dutch Liberals.

NEW ZEALAND'S WAR ON BLACKBERRY.

INSECTS IMPORTED TO EAT IT UP.

War has been declared on the blackberry in New Zealand.

What at home is a friendly little fruit changes its nature for the worse when it emigrates. Instead of confining itself to weaving entanglements along the hedgerows it marches like an invading army across country.

During the last few years the blackberry in New Zealand has encroached upon nearly 100,000 acres of valuable dairying land, and thousands of pounds have been spent on vain efforts to defeat it.

The Empire Marketing Board has now granted £2,000 annually for five years for entomological research by the Cawthron Institute at Nelson into the control of noxious weeds, and especially the blackberry, and the New Zealand Government and the Cawthron Institute have each contributed £1,000 annually for this period.

The storm troops in the campaign are to be insects sent to New Zealand to eat up the blackberry.

CEYLON AND RUBBER RESTRICTION.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL REJECT THE MOTION TO "STAND OUT."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

COLOMBO, December 17th.

The Legislative Council has rejected the motion to stand out from the Rubber Restrictions. The mover of the motion did not vote.

[In a Reuter telegram, dated Colombo, December 3rd, it was stated:—

"The Legislative Council is discussing the motion, 'This Council is of opinion that Ceylon should now stand out from the rubber restriction, the readjustment of which in the recent instructions from the Secretary of State, is uneconomic for Ceylon.'"

Subsequently, there was the following telegram, dated Colombo, December 10th: With reference to the motion of the Legislature, stating that the Council is of opinion that Ceylon should now stand out from the rubber restriction, the readjustment of which in the recent instructions from the Secretary of State, is uneconomic for Ceylon, Mr. Amery has telegraphed warning against the serious effects on the industry if Ceylon abandoned rubber restrictions, leading to an immediate fall in prices which would hit Ceylon in the same degree as others. He declares that the maintenance of prosperous conditions for rubber producers is a matter of real importance from the Empire viewpoint, hence our aim, urged by producers and users alike, is to stabilise the price, and that such stability must be sought at a profitable level in order to encourage cultivation and promote research. He points out that the new scale precludes any alteration before next November, but before the period is extended, Mr. Amery promises full consideration to any proposals advanced by Ceylon.]

AMERICAN NOVEL OF HIGH POLITICS.

VEILED CHARGES AGAINST LATE PRESIDENT.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE ANNOYED.

A novel entitled "Revelry," in which the author, Mr. Samuel Hopkins Adams, depicts in colours of the deepest dye and under the thinnest guise of fiction an amazing story of corruption in the administration of the late President Harding, has created a great political sensation in Washington.

Reviewers describe the novel as "dynamite" and declare that many of its passages were taken verbatim from the public records of testimony in recent trials. It was one of the topics of conversation at President Coolidge's recent luncheon to half a dozen Republican senators. It is reported to have annoyed the President intensely, though the writer has, of course, not directly identified him with the fictional Vice-President who is designated as Mr. Elliot.

"The Ohio Gang."

Neither is there any direct identification of President Harding with President Markham but the Teapot Dome oil scandals, the suicide of Mr. Jess Smith, the bosom friend of the former Attorney General, Mr. Daugherty, and many other acts of the "Ohio gang" of politicians make it perfectly clear whom the author has in mind.

According to one of the characters, Senator Thorne Willis Markham, "who never takes a cent for himself," became President because the "country needed a more—ah—ductile personality" than President Roosevelt and President Wilson.

This ductile personality is first shown at a game of poker presided over by Dan Lurcock, a crafty politician, who dominates the attorney-general, distributes favours, takes toll from bootleggers and causes men to be "put out of the way" when they squeal.

Andy Gandy, secretary for health, is described as a man who "can't smell money without his ears twitching" and as having been unable to pay taxes a year ago whereas he has now bought a fruit ranch in California for £46,000 with money advanced by Sigmund McBride, "an unattached Croesus who loves to play the amiable lackey to greatness."

President Takes Poison.

In Willis Markham the author has drawn a character of great amiability and humanity who is innocent of the most part of the gang's dealings. His wife, who urged him to become president becomes mentally unbalanced. He falls in love with Edith Westervelt, a shrewd beautiful woman who attempts to arouse his conscience to the gravity of the corruption around him. The President at last becomes aware that he had been made a tool of, and fearing complete exposure, takes poison and dies before the eyes of his friends.

After describing farewell calls of the president's friends the book, in a passage which is exciting much criticism, says:

There came, too, the vice-president—so soon to be president—who looked inscrutably at the dying man out of his fishy eyes and assured him that the Markham policies would be faithfully adhered to. The vice-president did not know what the Markham policies were. Nor did Markham. Nor anyone else. . . . The halo of martyrdom had cast its palliating radiance upon all who had been near and dear to Willis Markham. The nation wept.

Democratic newspapers are exploiting the novel. "What a theme," exclaims the literary critic of the New York *World*, "for a novelist to blow through a trumpet to a sleeping people."

TRAGIC DEATH.

U.S. LAWN TENNIS EX-CHAMPION FOUND SHOT.

A GREAT SPORTSMAN.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, December 16th.

The body of W. A. Larned, who was seven times lawn tennis singles champion of America, was found by his valet in his bedroom at the Knickerbocker Club. Death was due to a revolver shot. He had recently suffered from a nervous breakdown. He was a member of the Executive of the United States' Lawn Tennis Association and invented the steelframed racquet in 1921.

As a student at Cornell University, as far back as 1892, Larned won the Intercollegiate Championship of the United States, and the Longwood Challenge Cup in 1894, 1895, 1897, 1903-06, and again in 1911. He was runner-up in the U.S.A. Championship in 1893, 1894, 1895 and 1896; he won the All-Comers' Singles at Newport in 1900, 1901 and 1907; and was Champion of the U.S.A. in 1901, 1902 (defeating R. F. Doherty in the challenge round), 1907, 1908, 1910 and 1911. He resigned the title in 1912. He had represented the United States many times in the Davis Cup matches, travelling to England, Australia and New Zealand.

Mr. Larned was engaged on the New York Stock Exchange, but went to Cuba with the American Rough-Riders in 1898, and, when America entered the late war he joined up, becoming a Major in the U.S. Flying Corps.

Sad End of a Vigorous Career.

New York, December 17th.

The Secretary of the United States Lawn Tennis Association said that Larned for the past six months had been paralysed from the waist downwards, and had been in great agony. He had served with the Flying Corps in the war and was also one of Col. Roosevelt's roughriders in the Spanish-American war. He was a crack rifle shot, a fine hockey player, and a keen rider with the hounds. His tennis career was unparalleled in the annals of American sport. Larned was the first of the modern hard-hitters and volleyers to establish his supremacy on the court.

SHOOT TO KILL!

REVOLVER PRACTICE FOR U.S.A. POLICE.

The Commissioner of Police of Detroit has just issued an order for an elaborate course of revolver practice for all members of the force.

He states that his men are not shooting straight enough. Their bullets are hitting bandits all right, but—this is his chief point—they are not killing them.

This target-practice order is but one more indication of the grim situation in which Detroit citizens find themselves owing to the attraction which the colossal wealth amassed by the motor-car industry has exercised recently on bandits from all parts of the country. Bankers and manufacturers are convinced that their only defence against robbers under arms is a reversion to the justice of frontier days when outlaws were peppered full of holes or strung to the nearest tree.

Only 33 Killed.

This year 15 banks have been robbed. There have been innumerable robberies of wages in bulk. Though the police have shot down 113 bandits, only 33 have been killed. This percentage, the authorities feel, must be promptly corrected, since in the shooting 6 policemen were killed and 16 wounded.

NEW ALUMINIUM SYNDICATE.

EUROPEAN GROUP TO COMPETE WITH U.S.

The creation of a European aluminium syndicate in which England, France, Germany, and Switzerland are represented, was announced at Berlin in the middle of November.

This announcement shows that the principal producers of aluminium can now compete on equal terms with the Mellon Trust in America. Last year the Mellon Trust disposed of 22,000 tons of Norwegian aluminium, and the European concerns which have now combined produced 88,000 tons. The object of the combine is to regulate prices, to guarantee the industry of each country from interference by the industry in others, to make agreements regulating the export of aluminium to countries not in the combine, and—above all—to exchange information as to processes employed in the industry.

It is not thought that the combine will increase the price of aluminium for aluminius goods for the purchaser.

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15 ROUND CONTEST FOR THE MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE COLONY

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(H.M.S. *Hermes*)
v.
STOKER TAFF HOWARD
(H.M.C. *Hawkins*)

also

6 ROUND HEAVYWEIGHT CONTEST

EDDIE EAGAN,
(Heavyweight Champion, Olympic Games)
v.
STOKER ADDISON
(H.M.S. *Hermes*)

and

FOUR SIX ROUND CONTESTS.

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CHRISTMAS STEEPLECHASE.

"She raced at the rasper, I felt my knees grasp her,
I found my hands give to her strain on the bit;
She rose when the rest did—our silks as we bounded
Brushed lightly, our stirrups clashed loud as we lit."

—A. LINDSAY GORDON.

Xmas is upon us, winter is come, we are up to our necks in festivities and amusements, the shop windows are dressed in their gaudiest, and we in our gayest, no doubt. The cymbals clash and the dancers whirl, jubilant and rollicking as befits the season, while we are on the point of indulging our long-suffering anatomies with indiscriminate quantities of Christmas fare. But even old John Bull, who celebrates Xmas more heartily than most, does not reduce it merely to a season of mastication and imbibing! In his "pink" coat he is in the forefront of the Field, "tally-hoing" lustily, however voraciously he may attack the dainties at the Hunt Breakfast later.

It is invigorating to see that the local huntsmen are emulating his healthy ensample, and inaugurating the festive season merrily with the Christmas Steeplechase at Fanling to-day. Once again those sturdy little beasts will be pulled out over the fences, to prove how successfully they can celebrate the occasion. A meet will also take place the following morning, at which a large field is expected, as many enthusiastic sportsmen will be spending the week-end, at that Tavern of Jollity, "The Hunters' Arms," while there will be meets during Christmas week, terminating with the much-desired Paper Chase on Boxing Monday.

Most of the favourites will be seen again to-morrow, although there may be an added spice to the usual uncertainty of steeplechasing as some "outsiders" are much fancied and expected to put up a good race against the recognised favourites.

"Bookies" will be there in force, and will doubtless add to the popularity of the day, especially as it is officially rumoured that a well-known racing enthusiast will make a book in the Members' Enclosure.

If the weather is conciliatory (and it must be remembered the Peak is often deceptive, and may be submerged in rain and fog while Fanling is enjoying an ideal day) there should be an even larger attendance than usual. It is understood that the garrison will be well-represented, the K.O.S.B.'s being well-known for their sporting tastes, and the Punjabis and Gunners are still out at camp, and therefore close to the Course. They are, indeed, again erecting tea-tents in which to entertain their friends.

If all the world loves a lover, all the world likes a thrill still better, and one with a pretty big kick to it, as they say; and the biggest thrills of the sporting calendar in Hong Kong are assured by the Fanling Steeplechases. All racing is naturally hazardous but in steeplechasing beyond all else there is an uncertainty that makes it well-nigh nerve-racking besides spoiling the palate for anything less exhilarating.

However good your pony may be, however fit the "favourite" may seem, there are always the chances that they will fall or run out at the last fence. Hope is never lost till the winning post is passed—and a hope still that your own particular outside fancy will lollop home down the straight. With only a dollar's bet you can have that indescribable thrill Adam Lindsay Gordon puts in such glowing words:

"And perhaps the green jacket, at odds though they back it,
May fall, and there's no knowing what may turn up.
The Mare is quite ready, sit still and ride steady,
Keep cool; and I think you may just win the Cup."

BY "HUNTSMAN."

M.C.C. FOR WOMEN CRICKETERS.

English women have an "M.C.C." of their own now.

A Women's Cricket Association has just been formed, and is preparing for a campaign to popularise the game among women.

Eventually county teams may appear, and a County Championship tournament will be arranged if possible.

Next season cricket weeks will be arranged.

"And a very good idea, too," was Jack Hobbs's comment to the *Evening Standard*. "Why shouldn't they have their own cricket organisation and play the game under the same kind of conditions as men. They play golf and other games, and there is no reason why they shouldn't play cricket.

"Of course, they will never be able to play men on equal terms, but they might have a championship of their own.

"I have never played against women and I cannot remember even having seen a women's match. The only woman player I know of is Miss Maxted, of Mitcham, who, I have been told, is a really fine cricketer."

Three women hockey players, Mrs. B. Heron Maxwell, Miss V. M. M. Cox, and Miss Hatten, are mainly responsible for the formation of the Women's Cricket Association.

"So many of our hockey players are keen tennis enthusiasts," said the secretary of the All-England Women's Hockey Association to the *Evening Standard*, "that I do not think they will give it up for cricket.

"The new association will, I expect, have to rely upon the younger people who are coming out from the schools. It is the right time to form a women's cricket association, while there is growing interest in the game among women, but I scarcely think the game will become so popular among women as is tennis in the summer and hockey in the winter."

LAWN TENNIS SURPRISE.

TIGHTER "AMATEUR" LAW.

NO WRITING FOR NEWSPAPERS.

In a pamphlet issued by the Lawn Tennis Association of England to the various affiliated associations and clubs appears the following notice which the council proposed to bring before the annual general meeting on December 13th, and, if approved, before the annual general meeting of the International Lawn Tennis Federation in March 1927:

Subject to any modification which may be made in its rules by an association in favour of its own nationals in its own country, an amateur lawn tennis player is prohibited from writing reports or articles for the daily or weekly Press under his own name, initials, or recognisable pseudonym, or permitting himself to be interviewed for the purpose of Press publications in connection with any tournament, match, or competition in which he is entered as, or is, a competitor.

The pamphlet also states under Rule 2, Sec. (h), Para. (IV.):

An amateur lawn tennis player is specifically prohibited from accepting money or gaining pecuniary advantage by advertising his name or permitting his name to be advertised as the author of any book or Press article on the game of which he is not the author.

Revised Definition.

Mr. Stanley Doust, the former international player, and *Daily Mail* lawn tennis contributor, writes:—

Since Mlle. Suzanne Lenglen joined the ranks of the professionals, the various lawn tennis associations, in somewhat of a panic, have revised the whole of the amateur definition with a view to tightening up the amateur law as it stands at present. The outcome is the addition—besides others—of the two above-mentioned clauses.

In addition to Mlle. Lenglen, many well-known players have written on the game—and it seems to me that there is no one better fitted to describe a match, or to give advice, than an experienced player. Mr. W. T. Tilden is a prolific writer on the game, as is also Mr. A. Wallis Myers.

Both are journalists by profession, yet if this law is passed they will have to refrain from writing, or be stigmatised as professionals.

Mrs. Lambert Chambers, Mrs. Godfree (Miss McKane, the present champion), Mr. J. P. D. Wheatley, Miss Helen Wills, M. René Lacoste, M. André Gobert—to name but a few—have been guilty of giving their views to the Press, both by interviews and by articles.

If the above rules are passed they will be debarred from contributing anything useful to those who are unable to see them play, but are anxious for their views.

The consensus of opinion of lawn tennis players is that the rule is too drastic and is quite unnecessary.

RUGBY FOOTBALL IN ENGLAND.

OLD DAYS AND THE PRESENT COMPARED.

Every now and then the old subject crops up as to whether the game of Rugby as played to-day is better than the good old days of long ago, writes Ex-International in the *Evening Standard*. It is a topic of conversation which will go on for all time, and I wonder how many of us are honest enough ever to admit that "things are better now than they were in my day." No one will deny that the game has changed in style tremendously and especially in pace. There are two departments of the game which have deteriorated of recent years. Firstly, let us look at the forwards. How has the game changed in so far as the scrum is concerned. Some five years ago a poisonous theory was shouted from the housetops, "Every forward a three-quarter." This, in my opinion, is the worst theory that has ever been put forward, as it has destroyed the elementary rule of forward play—shoving. Quick breaking away may be very useful, but not until the shoving has been done, and herein lies the greatest fault in forward play to-day.

A Lost Art.

Everything seems to be quick breaking and precious little shoving, and the effect is that scrums are difficult to keep straight and compact and heeling is atrocious, while that very effective method of defence and attack—the wheel—is a lost art. The present-day efforts at wheeling generally result in giving the ball promptly to the opposing scrum half, who starts a passing movement.

Another great failing among forwards in modern football is tackling. Collaring round the shoulders and body and even neck is very prevalent, and forwards seem determined to waste their energies by very ineffective catch-at-catch-can wrestling, whereas a good low tackle soon stops, without any trouble, any nonsense on the part of the opposition.

But forwards have improved in other respects beyond words compared with "my days." Their handling now-a-days is splendid and would be a revelation to the great ones of thirty years back, if they would admit it! One sees forwards spreading out and handling like three-quarters, making openings as well as some backs can, while giving dummies is now child's play to a forward. So much the better, always provided the shoving is not forgotten.

The Real Weakness.

Taking a team as a whole, backs and forwards, the real painful weakness of to-day is defence. I mean by this more than mere tackling, which is bad enough, but rush stopping or genuine falling on the ball. Often we see players falling down half-heartedly and stretching an arm out, for the ball, but those who fall on it are so conspicuous that they are talked about. Fancy it being a matter of special comment that so-and-so falls on the ball so well! It is scandalous that it should be so, and the comment should rather be that so-and-so is no good because he does not fall on the ball.

A CANDID CRITIC OF FILMS.

MR. THOMAS BURKE'S REVIEW.

THE BOOK AND THE CINEMA INDUSTRY.

In "Let's Go To The Pictures" (Chatto and Windus 7s. 6d.), Miss Iris Barry has written a pungent and provocative book which will, I fancy, arouse a hullabaloo in the hullabaloo-world of the kinema, writes Mr. Thomas Burke the well-known author of London China-Town stories and producer of the film "Broken Blossoms," which aroused a good deal of comment. That is, he goes on, if the movie-mind can see through it, for it is a case of save us from our friends.

Miss Barry is one of the four serious film-critics we have. She knows its range and limitations; she knows its technique. Necessarily she talks to this young and noisy trade as a woman of intelligence would talk to a boastful boy; in somewhat acid tone, cruel to be kind. Listen:

Never let us forget that the kinema audience is nothing if not uncritical.

The kinema exists for the purpose of pleasing women.

We come out of the pictures soothed and drugged, like sleepers. The theatre is a tonic; the kinema a sedative.

Popular opinion is a lot of lies boosted in the form of soothing syrup by the film factory to give people false dreams for fear they kick at the true facts.

Digest that last one, please, and then raise *your* hullabaloo (film-studios can't hear level tones) and help Miss Barry in her call for pictures that will not insult your intelligence but will stimulate you to use the brains your Creator gave you. At present such pictures are one in two hundred; there is no reason, save your apathy, why they should not be ninety-five in the hundred.

A Spiritless Trade.

Her purpose in this book is to answer the question, "What's wrong with the films?" and *Echo* answers it for her—"The films!" In the chapters dealing with matters of technique she has much to say that will benefit not only the average producer but also the average picture-goer in helping him and her to form a critical opinion of each picture.

In other chapters she puts some of the pretty "stars" in their places, analyses the foolish conventions upon which scenarios are built, criticises film-critics, and generally stirs up the whole of a solemn and spiritless trade.

Every sensible person sees the possibilities of the screen, not for the purposes of education or nation-boosting, but for the making of things—ephemeral, fragile things, perhaps—of beauty. But those possibilities will never be unloosed until the mass of the present practitioners in the "art" are kicked out and replaced by men of brains.

When we have in film-production the standards of intelligence set up in the theatre by Max Reinhardt, Gordon Craig, William Poel, Granville Baker, Nigel Playfair, Basil Dean, and Sir Barry Jackson, there will be an immediate movement: great unemployment among the illiterate, an earnest, wholesome atmosphere in film-centres, and a great increase of kinema patrons.

I admit at once that the standards in the average West End threatre fall far below those of the men I have named; but there *are* theatres where one can see intelligent plays intelligently produced; and there is no kinema that exists solely for the purpose of showing films that satisfy the cultured and sophisticated mind. Nor can there be so long as films are an "industry" backed by commercial speculators and devoted to producing a standardised commodity for the lowest common denominator of mob-intelligence.

A DOG'S RIGHT TO CHASE CATS.

JUDGES AND A TERRIER THAT HAD TWO FIGHTS A YEAR.

Is a dog to be regarded as "dangerous" because it chases cats and fights other dogs? was the question raised in the King's Bench Division in London recently before the Lord Chief Justice and Justice Avory and Salter.

An appeal was brought by Captain Angus James Cameron, of Littleham-cum-Exmouth, Devon, against a decision of the Exmouth justices.

Mr. Harry Geen, for Captain Cameron, explained that his client's fox-terrier fought two dogs that were on leads. On both occasions it bit the hand of the person who separated the animals. He also chased cats now and then.

The Lord Chief Justice.—Two persons, two dogs, and cats unnumbered.

The Two Dogs Acts.

Mr. Geen said that the Dogs Acts of 1871 and 1906 dealt with dogs that were dangerous, and he submitted that that meant dangerous to mankind.

A dog that chased cats and fought other dogs was not necessarily dangerous to *mankind*.

The evidence was that this dog had two fights a year and only bit when being separated from its opponent.

The Lord Chief Justice.—Not when being given a bone. (Laughter.)

Giving judgment, Lord Hewart said the epithet "dangerous" in the Act of 1871 was not restricted to "dangerous to mankind," and here there was evidence on which the Justices could find that the dog was dangerous, with the result that it must be kept under proper control. The appeal, therefore, failed.

Mr. Justice Avory, concurring, said he would not support the proposition that a dog was dangerous merely because it fought other dogs and chased cats—particularly cats—but here there was other evidence against the animal.

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Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
Children's Service at 10 a.m.
Matins at 11 a.m.:—
Preacher:—Rev. W. T. Featherstone.
Subject:—"The Call from the Moslem World."
Holy Communion at 12 noon.
Evensong at 6 p.m.:—
Preacher:—Rev. H. Copley Moyle.
Confirmation by the Lord Bishop.

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UNION CHURCH—Kennedy Road.
Sunday Services, December 19th:—
Sunday School at 9.45 a.m.
Morning Service at 10.30 a.m.:—
(Kindly note Change of Hour).
Hymns:—135, 741, 419 and 416.
Preacher:—Rev. F. W. P. Alexander, C.F.
P.S.A. at 4 p.m.:—
Address by Rev. A. D. Stewart.
Evening Service at 6 p.m.:—
Hymns: 667, 468, 370, 177 and 104.
Preacher:—Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie.
Subject:—"Glory in The Highest."
On Christmas Day, Service will be held at 10.45, when the music will be led by the band of the 2nd Battalion of the K.O.S.Bs.

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FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.—Macdonnell Road, below Bowen Road Tram Station.
Sunday Service, December 19th, at 11.15 a.m.
Subject:—"IS THE UNIVERSE, INCLUDING MAN, EVOLVED BY ATOMIC FORCE?"
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Reading Room at above address, open Tuesday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon; Monday and Thursday, 5 to 7 p.m.
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Sunday, 19th December, 1926:—
8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.
10.00 ,, —Young Peoples Service.
10.00 ,, —Confirmation Class.
11.00 ,, —Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.
Preacher:—Rev. W. W. Rogers, M.A.
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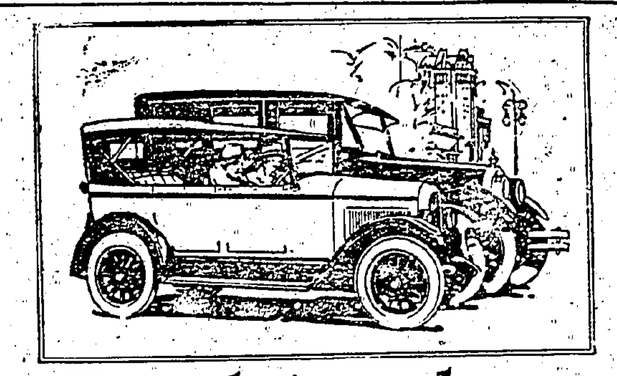

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LOCAL IMPORTS PICKING UP.

Yesterday through freights were manifested only on one steamer out of the 12 vessels which came into port during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.

General merchandise imported into the Colony showed an increase over the previous day returns. Out of 12 arrivals, cargo was discharged from ten vessels. There were a total of 17,373 tons landed here, of which 12,481 tons were unloaded from British steamers.

The two best returns were shown by the s.s. *Borelis* (British) which arrived from Tarakan with 5,387 tons and the s.s. *Mau Sang*, from Sandakan, brought 3,000 tons.

For ports beyond during the same period under review, cargo were carried by one steamer, and only totalled 2,432 tons. These were on the s.s. *Aki Maru* (Japanese) which came into port from Melbourne and Manila.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday, there were 12 arrivals and 13 departures. Their nationalities were: British 6 arrivals and 1 departure; Japanese 1 arrival and 7 departures; Norwegian 1 arrival and 1 departure; Chinese 2 arrivals and 1 departure; Dutch 1 arrival and 3 departures; German 1 arrival. The vessels in port numbered 68, of which 32 were British.

TWO PRESIDENT LINERS IN HARBOUR.

HEAVY BOOKINGS FROM HONG KONG.

Two President liners were lying alongside of one another yesterday at the Kowloon Wharves. They were the s.s. *President McKinley* and the *President Wilson*, and both arrived from Manila early yesterday morning.

The *President McKinley* brought 350 tons of general cargo for discharge here and carried with her 596 tons for ports beyond.

The liner also brought 15 cabin passengers for Hong Kong. She has on board 14 passengers for Shanghai and two for Seattle. The *McKinley* also carried 108 Asiatic steerage passengers, the majority of whom were disembarked here.

The *President Wilson* brought 112 tons of general merchandise from Manila and has 2,500 tons for ports beyond Hong Kong. The liner also brought 20 European cabin passengers for Hong Kong. She has over 40 through passengers for Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu and San Francisco.

The s.s. *President McKinley* will sail for Shanghai this evening at 5 and the *President Wilson* is scheduled to leave on Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. These two liners will carry away about 180 passengers booked from Hong Kong.

ENGLISH CHANNEL MYSTERY.

SHIP VANISHES WITH ALL LIGHTS BURNING.

"We have searched for hours over many miles of the Channel, but have come back without clearing up the mystery of the numerous distress rockets which were seen off Deal early this morning," said Coxswain William Hoile, of the Deal lifeboat, when he and his crew, soaked to the skin, returned to Deal on November 9th. "I can only imagine that there was a collision, and that a ship whose name we do not know foundered.

"The rockets lit up the sky, and were seen not only by the crews of some of the Goodwin lightships but by look-outs at Deal and at Ramsgate.

"A Burst."

"I got a call at 3.20 this morning that some had been seen to burst at the back of the Goodwins. I jumped out of bed, put on some clothes, and ran through the gale and the driving rain to the Deal coastguard station. The look-out there told me that the Ramsgate coastguard had telephoned that he, too, had seen the rockets. As I ran back to ring the lifeboat bell to summon my crew I myself saw the flare of a number of rockets.

"The lifeboat was soon launched, and when we reached the back of the Goodwins we could see, during a lull in the rain squalls, a big steamer with her masthead and deck lights burning, and with a great white light hanging over her starboard side amidship.

Disappointed.

"As we came near the South Goodwin lightship we saw the other rockets being sent up. The steamer with all her lights burning had then been at the spot where the rockets had been seen for fully an hour, but by the time we arrived there, after losing sight of her in the rain, she had disappeared. We saw neither signs of wreckage nor a single human soul, and what happened we do not know."

WEATHER REPORT.

Last night's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued from the Royal Observatory, at 4.30 o'clock, stated:—

The anti-cyclone has strengthened further. Fresh monsoon may be expected along the coast of China and over the North China Sea.

Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh, generally cloudy.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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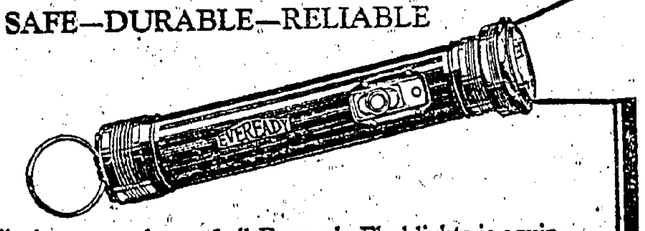

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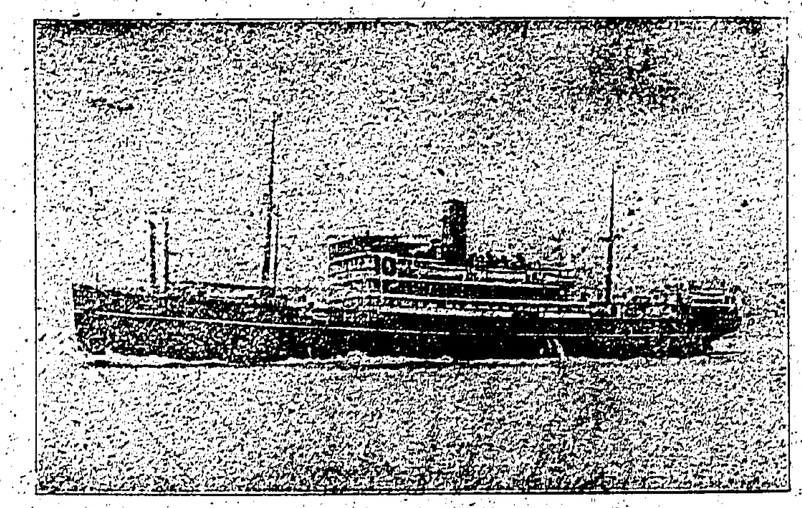

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Hong Kong Observatory, December 17th.

	Previous Day at 2 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 2 p.m.
Barometer ...	29.93	29.98	30.01
Temperature ...	71	67	68
Humidity ...	85	97	81
Wind Direction...	E	E	NNE
,, Force ...	3	2	2
Weather	O	OD	O
Rain	0.00	0.00	0.01

Highest open-air Temperature on 16th ... 71
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B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From December 18th to 24th, 1926.

Days of Week	Date of Month	High Water. H. Kong Standard Time.	High Water. Height.	Low Water. H. Kong Standard Time.	Low Water. Height.
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
Satur.	18	m 9 31	4 9	m 2 58	1 4
		8 31 a	7 6	2 1 a	3 2
Sun.	19	m 10 26	4 7	m 3 40	1 1
		9 5 a	7 8	2 34 a	3 4
Mon.	20	m 11 18	4 6	m 4 21	0 8
		9 39 a	7 9	3 7 a	3 5
Tues.	21	0 9 a	4 4	m 5 2	0 8
		10 12 a	7 8	3 39 a	3 6
Wed.	22	1 1 a	4 3	m 5 44	0 9
		10 45 a	7 5	4 12 a	3 8
Thur.	23	1 56 a	11 3	m 6 28	1 1
		11 19 a	7 1	4 47 a	4 0
Fri.	24	3 2 a	4 3	m 7 16	1 4
		11 55 a	6 6	5 25 a	4 2

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ARRIVALS.

December 16th.

Deli Maru, Japanese str., 1,290 tons, Capt. F. Tsuda, from Canton, with a general cargo, dying at buoy at No. C53.—O.S.K.

Devawongse, German str., 1,047 tons, Capt. John Ernst, from Hoihow, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C42.—Cheong Yue S.S. Co.

Haimun, Chinese str., 641 tons, Capt. H. Carneiro, from Canton, with a *nil* entry, lying at buoy No. C44.—Yau Fat S.S. Co.

Hirundo, Norwegian str., 1,125 tons, Capt. H. Brandt, from Bangkok and Swatow, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C41.—Thoresen & Co.

Newchwang, British str., 1,581 tons, Capt. H. Gifford, from Tientsin and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B20.—B. & S.

December 17th.

Chak Sang, British str., 1,470 tons, Capt. A. Dockwrey, from Bangkok and Swatow, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. B.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Englee, Chinese str., 865 tons, Capt. H. Maki, from Canton, with a *nil* entry, lying at buoy No. C36.—Yue Tai Hong.

Kum Sang, British str., 5,411 tons, Capt. H. W. Chandler, from Singapore, which port she left on December 11th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Nanchang, British str., 1,506 tons, Capt. J. M. Hopkins, from Shanghai, which port she left on December 13th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C16.—B. & S.

Nanning, British str., 1,505 tons, Capt. J. K. Clark, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B12.—B. & S.

President McKinley, American str., 8,400 tons, Capt. A. O. Lustie, from Manila, which port she left on Dec. 15th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Admiral Oriental Line.

President Wilson, American str., 8,319 tons, Capt. Fred E. Anderson, from Manila, which port she left on Dec. 15th, with 2,500 tons of general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.

Telma, British str., 6,154 tons, Capt. Cocklin, from Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Telemachus, British str., 1,420 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Saigon, which port she left on December 11th, with general cargo and rice, lying at buoy No. A6.—Wo Fat Shing.

Tozei Maru, Japanese str., 1,837 tons, Capt. T. Kawamura, from Kiirun, which port she left on December 14th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B51.—M.B.K.

CLEARANCES.

December 17th.

Aizawa Maru No. 2, for Keelung.
Borelis, for Sobattik.
Englee, for Shanghai.
Hai Ning, for Swatow.
Hang Sang, for Singapore.
Hydrangea, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Nanning, for Canton.
Pao Sang, for Kwang Chow Wan.
President McKinley, for Shanghai.
President Wilson, for Shanghai.
Tak Hing, for Autok.
Talthybius, for Kobe.

SHIPPING NOTES.

For causing an obstruction in the Southern fairway, the master of a trading junk was fined $5 or five days' hard labour at the Marine Court yesterday morning by Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, R.N.

The total number of deck passengers entered into Hong Kong during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday was 320, of which, the s.s. *Hydrangea* brought 296 from Fort Bayard.

The master of the B. & S. steamer *Newchwang* reported to the Harbour Office that a derelict fishing junk was sighted in Lat. 28° 26' N. Long. 122° 0' 2" E.

When near Wangmoon, the *Tai Lee* ran aground in the fog and was thus delayed about twelve hours, getting in to Hong Kong about noon on Thursday instead of a little after midnight the night before. No damage was suffered.

The Indo-China S.N. Co. steamer *Kum Sang* arriving from Singapore yesterday brought 2,149 tons of general cargo for local discharge and 4,546 tons for ports beyond. She also brought 639 deck passengers.

The s.s. *Toyei Maru*, from Keelung, came into port yesterday and landed 2,550 tons of coal here. The vessel also carried 2,100 tons of the same cargo for Canton.

The Manila office of the Admiral Oriental line announce that the name of that line has been changed to the American Mail Line, says the *Manila Times*. It will come into effect simultaneously with the inauguration of the horseshoe service from Seattle to San Francisco. Five liners are now being operated from Seattle to Manila by the Admiral Oriental line. The Hong Kong office has not been advised.

Tokyo, December 5th.—Owing to severe vibration and poisonous gas from motor engines, the crew of the N.Y.K. steamer *Asuka Maru* and *Atago Maru* which recently arrived at Yokohama from Britain are all suffering from a nervous disease. The N.Y.K. authorities are investigating the cause, in view of the fact that they are building three other ships with the same type of engines.—*Toho.*

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per s.s. *President McKinley*, from Manila, on December 17th:—Mr. O. F. Alleman, Mr. Ed. Fagan, Rev. F. Giner, Mr. John A. Hyndman, Miss E. C. Kenny, Mr. Robert S. Pirie, Miss Millie Ryder, Mr. J. S. Scott, Mr. M. Soledad, Lieut. and Mrs. B. W. Shumaker, Miss E. M. Tombs. Among passengers passing through on their way to Shanghai were: Mr. A. Brodsky, Mr. S. L. Frost, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hunnex, Master G. Hunnex, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Johnson, Mrs. F. H. Morden, Lieut. and Mrs. W. S. Parsons, Master Bruce Parsons, Dr. P. Trinidad, Mrs. Zinaida Usankova. For Seattle: Mrs. R. Derby and Miss Julia A. Mathews.

Per s.s. *President Wilson*, from Manila, on December 17th:—Mr. A. M. Amend, Mr. D. N. Assoomul, Mrs. M. A. Carson, Miss Agnes Cogan, Mr. Jose Dumatal, Miss Marion Hunter, Miss Caroline Jenkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. Limage, Mr. R. B. Lockwood, Mr. Herbert May, Mrs. M. O. de Romero, Master C. R. Opisso, Master J. R. Opisso, Sister M. Regiwald, Mother Mary Joseph Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. S. Rizza, Mr. E. Sigaut, Rev. A. M. Thiboitts. Among passengers passing through on their way to Shanghai were: Col. Sam Alexander, Mr. Geo. A. Allan, Lieut. J. J. Mahoney, U.S.N. For Kobe: Miss E. W. Palmer. For Yokohama: Mr. and Mrs. F. Ratzenberger. For Honolulu: Miss Frances Davis, Miss Helen Davis, Lieut. J. P. Jackson, U.S.N. and Mrs. J. P. Jackson, Miss M. Jackson, Miss C. Jackson, Miss H. Jackson, Miss T. Jackson, Miss I. Jaggar, Miss C. Shipman. For San Francisco: Lieut. A. C. Dickson, Lieut.-Comdr. H. W. Graf, U.S.N., Mrs. C. S. Ransom, Master C. S. Ransom, Capt. E. D. Sykes, U.S.N., Mr. E. S. Turner.

DEPARTURES.

Per s.s. *Aki Maru*, for Japan, on December 17th:—Mr. K. Yamakawa, Miss Walker, Mrs. Matsumoto, Mr. and Mrs. Harcourt, Mr. S. Tanaka, Mr. Y. Takashima, Mr. Beliner, Mrs. A. Kushida, Mr. Hayashi, and Mr. S. Handa.

Per s.s. *Changte*, for Australia ports via Manila, on December 17th:—Mr. and Mrs. Roxburg, Mr. and Mrs. Jackman, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Smith, Miss P. Smith, Master P. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Gray and daughter, Mr. L. G. Scott, Mrs. Kirkland, Miss Gladys Archer, Mr. B. H. Miles, Mr. P. Clavell-Blount, Mr. J. W. Cook, Mr. R. Crichton, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. B. Singian, Mr. Keene, Miss E. Hodge, Mrs. E. Rochette, Miss D. Hirschberg, Miss K. Hirschberg, Mrs. E. Stone, Miss Stone, Mr. J. W. Huck, Mr. S. M. Finn, Mrs. C. W. Childs, Major E. Carrion, Mr. R. Barratta, Mr. J. de Acuna, Mr. Wm. Mahon, Mr. D. Buencamino, Mr. A. Pablo, Mr. M. J. Marques, Mr. J. Oquineira, Mr. F. Gutierrez, Mr. T. Bayani, Mr. A. Nano, and Miss J. A. McPhedron.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR DECEMBER, 1926.

(STANDARD TIME OF 120TH MERIDIAN, OF GREENWICH).

Date.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
December 18th	6.57 a.m.	5.42 p.m.
,, 19th	6.57 ,,	5.43 ,,
,, 20th	6.58 ,,	5.43 ,,
,, 21st	6.58 ,,	5.44 ,,
,, 22nd	6.59 ,,	5.44 ,,
,, 23rd	6.59 ,,	5.45 ,,
,, 24th	7.00 ,,	5.45 ,,
,, 25th	7.00 ,,	5.46 ,,
,, 26th	7.00 ,,	5.46 ,,
,, 27th	7.01 ,,	5.47 ,,
,, 28th	7.01 ,,	5.47 ,,
,, 29th	7.02 ,,	5.48 ,,
,, 30th	7.02 ,,	5.48 ,,
,, 31st	7.03 ,,	5.49 ,,

The *Sui An* did not run to Macao on Macao on Wednesday nor the *Sui Tai* from Macao to Hong Kong but the normal run has now been resumed.

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EMPRESS OF CANADA	...Jan. 26	Jan. 29	Feb. 1	Feb. 4	Feb. 13
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	...Feb. 16	Feb. 19	Feb. 22	Feb. 25	Mar. 6
EMPRESS OF ASIA	...Mar. 9	Mar. 12	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 27
EMPRESS OF CANADA	...Mar. 30	Apr. 2	Apr. 5	Apr. 8	Apr. 17
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	...Apr. 20	Apr. 22	Apr. 26	Apr. 29	May 8
EMPRESS OF ASIA	...May 11	May 14	May 17	May 20	May 29
EMPRESS OF CANADA	...June 1	June 4	June 7	June 10	June 19
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	...June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPRESS OF ASIA	...July 11	July 14	July 19	July 22	July 31

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D'ARTAGNAN ...A ...	3rd Dec., ,,	5th Jan., 1927.	1st Feb., ,,
SPHINX ... ...A ...	17th Dec., ,,	19th Jan., ,,	15th Feb., ,,
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TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"HOPSANG"	...Sunday,	19th Dec., at 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"MINGSANG"	...Sunday,	19th Dec., at 9 a.m.
CANTON	"LEESANG"	...Monday,	20th Dec., at 9 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	...Tuesday,	21st Dec., at Noon.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"LEESANG"	...Wednesday,	22nd Dec., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via MOJI & KOBE	"NAMSANG"	...Friday,	24th Dec., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"MAUSANG"	...Friday,	24th Dec., at 2 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KWAISANG"	...Saturday,	25th Dec., at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	...Tuesday,	28th Dec., at 3 p.m.
TSINGTAU via SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"YATSHING"	...Wednesday,	29th Dec., at 7 a.m.
TIENTSIN	"CHIPSHING"	...Saturday,	1st Jan., at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"HOSANG"	...Monday,	3rd Jan., at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	"HINSANG"	...Monday,	10th Jan., at 2 p.m.
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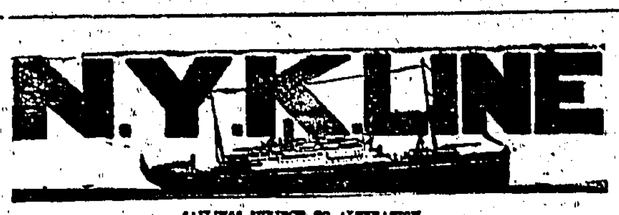

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"MIRZAPORE"	6,715	29th Dec.	Marseilles, London, Hamburg & Rotterdam.
"NYANZA"	7,023	5th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,941	8th Jan.	Marseilles and London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	22nd Jan.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	28th Jan.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MOREA"	10,918	5th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"DELTA"	8,097	18th Feb.	Singapore, Penang, Colombo and Bombay.
"KASHMIR"	9,005	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp and Hull.
"NELLORE"	6,852	3rd March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MANTUA"	10,902	5th March	Marseilles and London.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	12th March	Marseilles, London, Anwerp & Rotterdam.
"NYANZA"	7,023	17th March	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	19th March	Marseilles & London.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	2nd April	Marseilles and London.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	9th April	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Rotterdam.
"KARMALA"	9,128	16th April	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"DELTA"	8,097	28th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"MALWA"	10,980	30th April	Marseilles and London.
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"TAKLIWA"	7,936	2nd Jan.	do.
"TAKADA"	6,949	21st Jan.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,000	4th Feb.	do.

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"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	31st Dec.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	28th Jan.	
"TANDA"	6,956	4th Mar.	
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	1st April	
"ARAFURA"	6,000	29th April	
"TANDA"	6,956	3rd June, 4 p.m.	

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The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"KALYAN"	9,144	25th Dec.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TAKADA"	6,949	31st Dec.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Osaka.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	4th Jan.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MOREA"	10,918	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	7th Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,000	14th Jan.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	21st Jan.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,902	4th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"NELLORE"	6,853	5th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,959	9th Feb.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"MONGOLIA"	16,504	17th Feb.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"NYANZA"	7,023	18th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MACEDONIA"	11,120	9th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th March	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.
"DEVANHA"	8,155	13th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KARMALA"	9,128	15th March	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,980	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"DELTA"	8,097	1st April	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th April	Moji, Kobe, Osaka and Yokohama.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
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LIMITED.

SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG"	On 19th Dec.,	6 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KALGAN"	On 19th Dec.,	Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, TSINGTAO & DALNY	"NANNING"	On 19th Dec.,	3 p.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SUIYANG"	On 21st Dec.,	6 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KIUNGCHOW"	On 21st Dec.,	6 a.m.
BANGKOK	"KWANGTUNG"	On 22nd Dec.,	4 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"CHENAN"	On 23rd Dec.,	6 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"SZECHUEN"	On 25th Dec.,	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, TSINGTAO & DALNY	"YINGCHOW"	On 26th Dec.,	6 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 26th Dec.,	6 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU"	On 26th Dec.,	10 a.m.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG"	On 28th Dec.,	6 a.m.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANKING"	On 29th Dec.,	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SOOCHOW"	On 30th Dec.,	6 a.m.
HOIHOW & HAIPHONG	"TEAN"	On 30th Dec.,	Noon.

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	From Hong Kong.
M.V. "ROMOLO"	Sails on or about 6th January, 1927
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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Shanghai	*Suiyang*	18th Dec.
Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	*Kashima Maru* ...	18th Dec.
Europe via Negapatam (papers, only London, 18th Nov.)	*Vogtland*	20th Dec.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai	*Pres. Polk* ...	20th Dec.
Shanghai	*Chenan*	21st Dec.
Japan	*Tango Maru* ...	21st Dec.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai...	*Pres. Jefferson* ...	23rd Dec.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai...	*Emp. of Canada*	23rd Dec.
Canada, U.S.A., Japan & Shanghai...	*Emp. of Canada*	30th Dec.
Manila		

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Japan, *Canada, *U.S.A., *C. & *S. America & *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 11th Jan., 1927	*Talthybius* ...	Saturday, 18th, 10.30 A M
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 6th Jan., 1927	*Pres. McKinley*	Parcels Noon Reg. 2.45 P M Letters 3.30 P M
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & *EUROPE via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 12th Jan., 1927, & EUROPE via Siberia (letters and postcards specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only)	*Pres. Wilson* ...	Parcels 3.00 P M Reg. 4.15 P M Letters 5.00 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 16th Jan., 1927	*Kashima Maru*	Reg. 4.15 P M Letters 5.00 P M
Amoy	*Kumsang* ...	5.00 P M
Hoihow and Haiphong ...	*Mingsang* ..	5.00 P M
Iloilo	*Yangtze* ...	5.00 P M
		Sunday, 19th,
*Swatow & Bangkok	*Kalgan* ..	9.00 A M
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ...	*Hosan Maru* ...	9.00 A M
Saigon	*Prosper*	9.00 A M
Straits and Calcutta .. — ...	*Talma*	Parcels 9.00 A M Letters 9.00 A M
		Monday, 20th,
Amoy	*Suiyang*	5.00 P M
		Tuesday, 21st,
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	*Hai Ching*	Noon
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 21st Jan., 1927	*General Metzinger*	Reg. 1.45 P M Letters 2.30 P M
Swatow	*Leesang*	5.00 P M
		Wednesday, 22nd,
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 3rd Jan., 1927	*Tango Maru* ..	Reg. 8.45 A M Letters 9.30 A M
Amoy	*Tjisalak*	1.30 P M
Bangkok	*Kwangtung* ...	2.30 P M
Swatow	*Chenan*	5.00 P M
		Thursday, 23rd,
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa	*Nellore*	10.30 A M
Straits	*Van Cloon* ..	2.30 P M
Japan	*Namsang*	5.00 P M
		Friday, 24th,
Sandakan	*Mausang*	12.30 P M
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 22nd Jan., 1927—Ship sails on Xmas day, the 25th inst. at noon	*Khiva*	Parcels 3.00 P M Reg. 5.00 P M Letters 5.00 P M
Shanghai	*Szechuen*	5.00 P M
		Saturday, 25th,
Swatow	*Kwai Sang*	9.00 A M

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"SARPEDON"	9th Feb.	Mars., L'don., R'dam. & Glasgow.

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"DEUCALION"	20th Feb.	Genoa, Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow.

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Telegraphic Transfer	1/11⅛
Bank Bills, on demand	1/11 3/16
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	—
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Credits, at 4 months' sight	2/0 3/16
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On Paris.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	1,145
Credits, 4 months' sight	1,365
On New York.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	46⅞
Credits, at 60 days' sight	48⅛
On Bombay.—	
Telegraphic Tranfer / Bank Bills, on demand	130½
On Calcutta.—	
Telegraphic Transfer / Bank Bills, on demand	130½
On Shanghai.—	
Bank Bills, at sight / Private, 30 days' sight	nom.
On Yokohama.—On demand	95½
On Manila.—On demand	94
On Singapore.—On demand	84½
On Batavia.—On demand	116¼
On Haiphong.—On demand	nom.
On Saigon.—On demand	nom.
On Bangkok.—On demand	96½
Sovereign, Bank's Buying rate	$10.10
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, per tael	—
Bar Silver, per oz.	24 13/16

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Hamburg	Moukden	Tokyo
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Harbin	New York	Yokohama

Current Accounts opened in Local Currency and Fixed Deposits received for one year or shorter periods in Local Currency and Sterling on terms which will be quoted on application.
Hong Kong, 27th May, 1926. [25

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For the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 27th May, 1926. [2

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Kan Tong Po,
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Hong Kong, 22nd May, 1926.

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26] D. M. BIGGAR, Manager.

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Subscribed Capital...Frs.72,000,000.00
Paid-up Capital ...Frs.68,400,000.00
Reserve Fund Frs.59,667,283.54

Branches:

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Battambang	Hong Kong	Saigon
Canton	Mengtsa	Shanghai
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Interest allowed on Current Accounts and Fixed Deposit according counts and Fixed Deposits according to arrangement.
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A. LECOT,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 20th March, 1924. [32

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H. MORI, Manager.
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A. ROLLIN,
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T. TAKAGI,
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Hong Kong Branch,
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TSUYEE PEI,
Manager.
Hong Kong, January 16th, 1926. [38

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C. L. C. SANDES, Manager.
7, Queen's Road Central,
Hong Kong, June 17th, 1926. [29

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A. H. FERGUSON,
Manager.
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